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WHITE COLLAR

Skadden's Greg Craig Makes Sudden Exit Amid Mueller Probe

Gregory Craig, a politically connected legal adviser and lead author of a controversial report at play in the Mueller investigation, has left Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP, a firm spokesperson confirmed Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

Skadden Partner, Ex-US Atty Fitzgerald Is Repping Comey

Skadden Arps Slate Meagher & Flom LLP partner and former high-profile Chicago prosecutor Patrick Fitzgerald confirmed to Law360 on Tuesday that he has been part of James Comey's legal team since May 2017, the month the president fired Comey from his position as director of the FBI. [Read more »](#)

Mueller Slams Manafort's Bid To Nix Seized Evidence

Prosecutors on Tuesday hit back in D.C. federal court at Paul Manafort's request to suppress evidence collected from his home and a storage unit in Virginia, saying the former Trump campaign chairman's attacks on the underlying warrants are "without merit." [Read more »](#)

GWB Closures Weren't Criminal, 3rd Circ. Told

The former New Jersey Gov. Chris Christie associates sentenced to prison for orchestrating a retaliatory traffic jam on the George Washington Bridge urged the Third Circuit to overturn their convictions, arguing Tuesday that "bad" political decisions, not criminal misuse of property, were behind the lane closures. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Series

State Tax After TCJA: Investment In Depreciable Property

In the first installment of the series, Jeremy Abrams and Sebastian Watt of Reed Smith LLP seek to provide a high-level overview of the most significant corporate state tax issues after the Tax Cut and Jobs Act and use state-specific examples to show that while determining how a state will conform to the Internal Revenue Code is not always clear, taxpayer-friendly results are possible. [Read more »](#)

Equal Pay: Where Do We Stand Now?

In *Kelly Ellis v. Google*, a California federal judge recently denied Google's bid to dismiss classwide claims alleging gender-based pay discrimination. If the class is certified and if the plaintiffs win, it may signify the beginning of the end of the fight for equal pay for women, say Debra Ellwood Meppen and Laurie DeYoung of Gordon & Rees LLP. [Read more »](#)

State Electric Generator Subsidies Challenge FERC Markets

In recent weeks, regional transmission organizations have attempted to amend their Federal Energy Regulatory Commission tariffs to protect their energy and capacity markets from state subsidies for certain types of power generation. Such subsidies challenge FERC's authority to effectively operate competitive wholesale markets, says Richard Drom of Eckert Seamans Cherin & Mellott LLC. [Read more »](#)

New TCJA Reporting Rules For Life Settlement Transactions

Investors who acquire in-force life insurance policies in the secondary trading market and life insurers paying death benefits for secondary life insurance market policies must understand the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act's new Internal Revenue Service informational

reporting requirements, say attorneys with Locke Lord LLP. [Read more »](#)

LEGAL INDUSTRY

BigLaw's 10 Biggest Revenue Winners And Losers Of 2017

In an otherwise positive year for law firm financials, a few firms stood out in 2017 with more drastic increases and decreases in revenue than the rest of the pack, according to the new Am Law 100 report released Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

Feature

Texas Firms See Opportunity In Shunning Merger Frenzy

Texas law firms are operating against a drumbeat of new entrants to the market, competitive lateral hiring and mergers that have swept up several long-established firms, but the stalwarts say their partners and clients prefer independence and say they've got plenty of room to grow and thrive. [Read more »](#)

In-House Attys Must Become Data Privacy Pros, Experts Say

In-house counsel must prepare for sweeping new data privacy regimes and gird their organizations against a potential cyberbreach by educating themselves about the technical aspects of cybersecurity and building collaborative relationships with other corporate departments, a panel of experts told corporate counsel at a conference on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

Law Professionals Have Duty To Push Diversity And Inclusion

Diversity and inclusion in the legal ecosystem are global issues, and legal operations professionals have a responsibility and opportunity to promote and develop the topics across their organizations and industry, a

panel of women said on Tuesday. Read more
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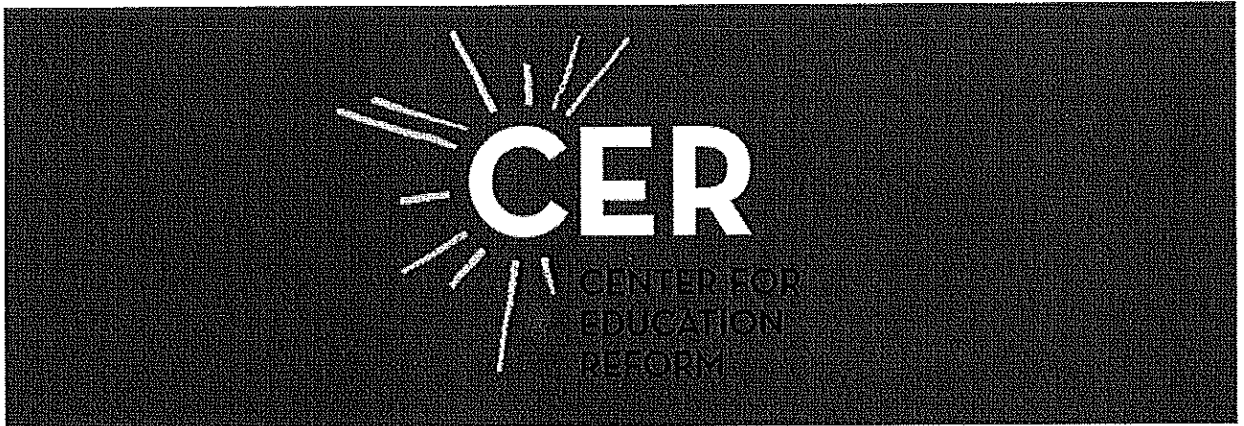
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National Charter Schools Week 2018, Day 3:

The UNIONS, and their impact on Teachers

Recognizing charter schools as well as those who enable their progress on this #TeachersDay 2018 must include a recognition of those that stand in the way of yet more progress- the National Education Association and the exceptionally hostile American Federation of Teachers (AFT).

It's no secret these two groups have always opposed and spread falsehoods about charters, working hard to convince teachers that they don't serve kids. That has largely failed, but lately, the rhetoric and attacks by the union bosses have taken a troubling, destructive turn. Their increased hostility can only be a result of one thing – a threat to their power. Charter schools have gained strength and acceptance across the nation, threatening the unions' power, influence, money and membership. NEA membership declined in 27 states last year. The AFT membership fell by 69,000 in 2016. And within a few short weeks, the US Supreme Court will decide in Janus vs AFSCME if the US constitution intended for union fees to be involuntarily extracted from the nation's teachers. (We think our Founders did not).

But rather than evolve and adapt to changes in the 180-year-old factory model system of education, rather than create a new path for teachers that supports their growth over mandating uniformity and lock step acceptance of rules, they have dug in their heels and decided character assassination and anti-charter propaganda is best, even declaring unfathomably that the charter school movement is rooted in racism and in the Jim Crow politics of the South's past!

Over at their palatial building on 16th Street, NW in Washington the NEA has been sending missives out to teachers based on last year's policy statement that – in the union mind and the union mind only - it ~~3~~ "jeopardize[s] student success, undermines public education and harms communities" and thus they must "arm our communities and our educational professionals with the tools and voice we all need to ensure a better future for our youth."

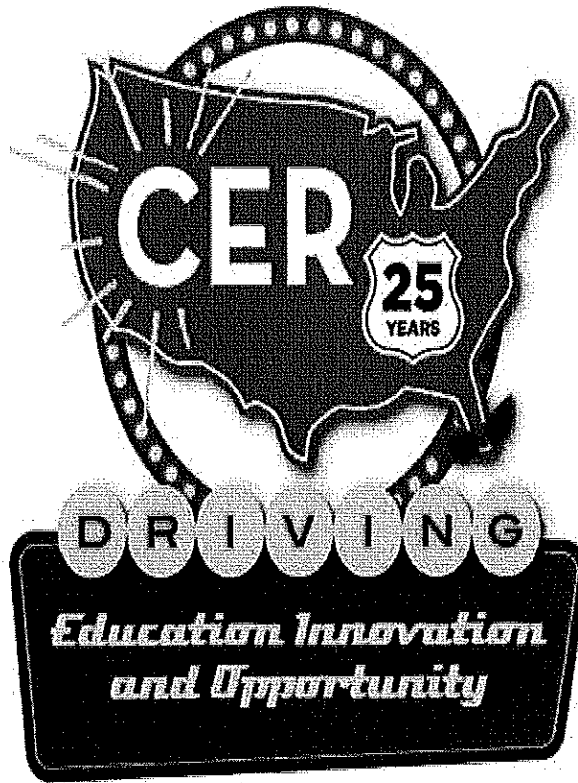
Of course, those tools should be making sure every child gets a great education no matter what the vehicle, but that would never occur to a union who derives its power from mandatory assignment and forced membership.

As absurd and as unfounded as their comments and actions are, they must not go unchallenged. Nor should we ignore that they have tried to tie their school-funding/teacher-pay protests to charters. Make no mistake, these walkouts, sickouts and strikes are intended to build their union, pushing charter school teachers to follow them. Many have called them out in the news and in podcasts with important education leaders.

The good news is that there is help for charter schools and their teachers who want to resist the forced actions of unions to take over these life-saving schools.



The really good news however is that teachers love the autonomy and focus that charters allow them to teach and innovate without being bound by union rules that only hamstring those efforts. That's why well over 90% of charter schools remain non-union and, as a result, retain the freedoms and flexibilities entailed in that independence. As such, charter schools continue to outperform traditional public schools at a rate that has helped drive advances in learning and pedagogy. Charter schools change lives, thanks to the teachers in them. And, today, on Teacher Appreciation day as well as Day 3 of [#CharterSchoolsWeek](#), that's worth celebrating!



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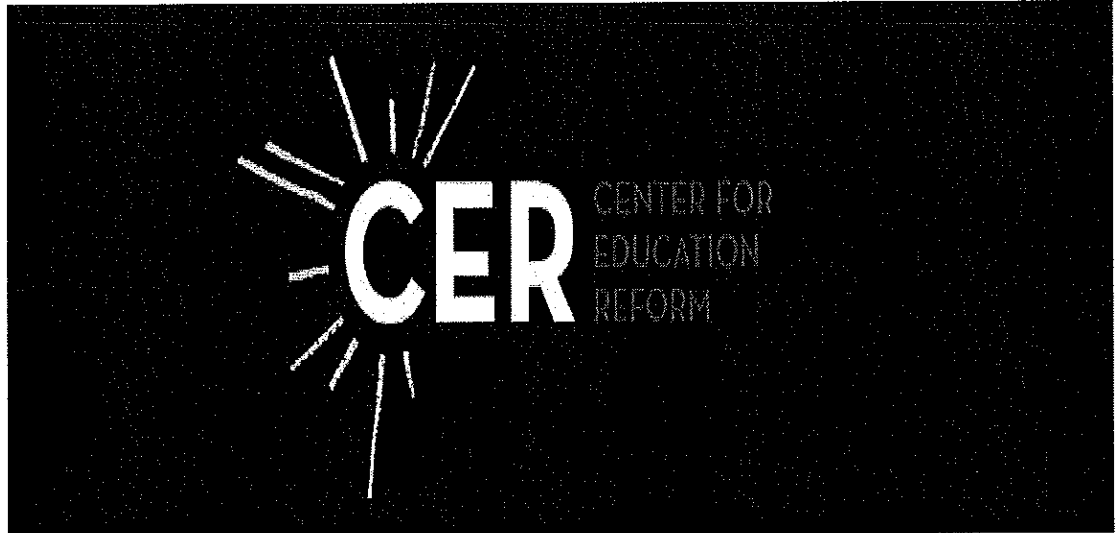
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CALIFORNIA. In the Golden state, the front runner's gold is clearly the teachers unions, who endorsed Lt. Gov and former San Francisco Mayor Gavin Newsom because he says stuff like edreforms such as charters are an attack on public education. Antonio Villaraigosa believes in choice through charter

schools, which earned him the endorsement of California charter advocates and some of their biggest financial backers.

But the State's two leading Republican candidates are polling ahead of Villaraigosa. Businessman John Cox is pretty silent on education opportunity, and Assemblyman Travis Allen is a fierce advocate of educational choice. They are polling at 18 and 16 percent respectively ahead of Villaraigosa's 9%.

GEORGIA. The winner of May 22nd= 2s Democratic primary, Stacey Abrams says educational choice is "diversion of funds to private schools" that "[undermine] our government's responsibility." (Hmmm, you mean the responsibility to educate kids which they can't do in most states and communities, Stacey?)

The Republicans will run off Lt. Governor Casey Cagle and Secretary of State Brian Kemp in July both of whom have supported education opportunity. Kemp also supports military vouchers.

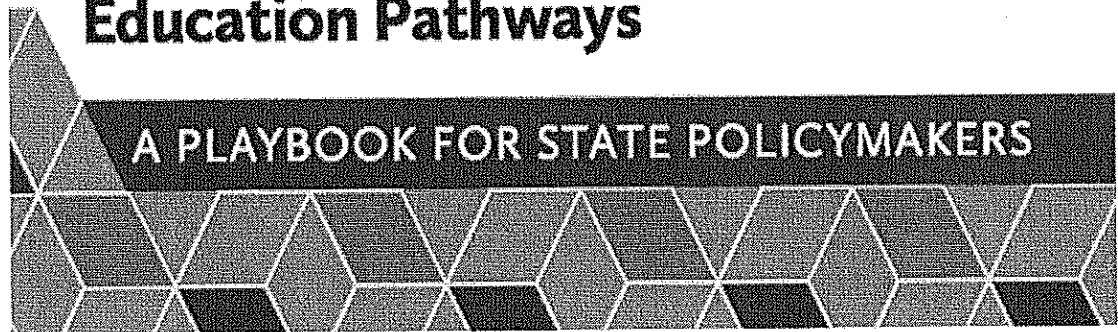
UNIONS GEAR UP (BRACE) FOR JANUS. The U.S. Supreme Court will deliver a decision in Janus v. AFSME sometime in June, and true to form, the American Federation of Teachers (AFT) is focused on how to mitigate membership losses that will be inevitable if the Court rules in favor of Janus. AFT says it will lose members (aww, darn) and is buying up advertising to scare people that this decision is terminal... for... exactly who? Imagine if those funds were given back to the teachers who can't make enough money in the prime of their lives thanks to A) the policies they lobby for and B) the dues they extract.

GET THE DETAILS with the latest Reality Check w/Jeanne Allen with guest Colin Sharkey, EVP of the Association of American Teachers, the largest non-union professional association for teachers. Colin is uniquely qualified to comment on the case and its implications for the public sector and the teaching profession. Mark Mix, the head of the National Right to Work

Legal Defense Fund, also talks about the case he helped to take all the way to the Supreme Court.

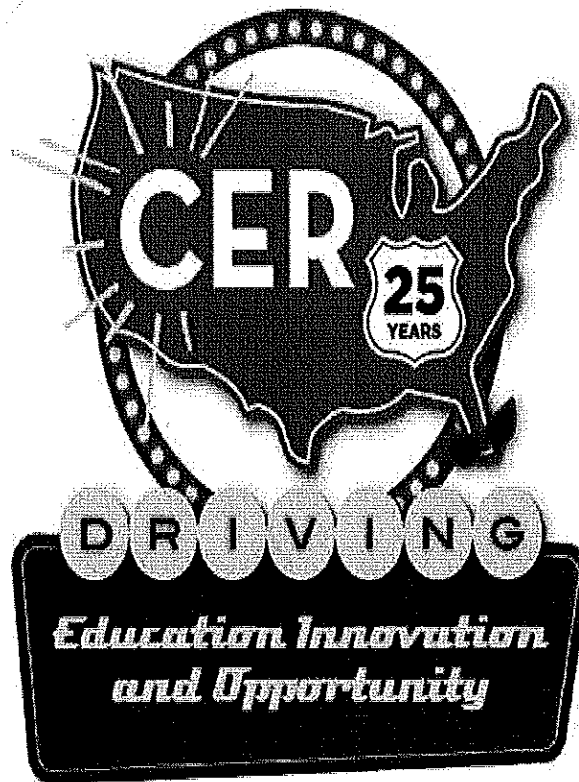
EXCEL IN ED PLAYBOOK. Shout out to the Foundation for Excellence in Education for producing the first-ever playbook for state policymakers defining the case for strengthening career and technical pathways through cross-sector partnerships. Let's strive to help learners at all levels, particularly those ill-served by traditional schooling all these years.

Building Cross-Sector Partnerships to Support Career and Technical Education Pathways



STUDENT-CENTERED FUNDING IN NORTH CAROLINA? Could a new funding model mean greater impact, and more money going to teachers students and classrooms in NC? The NC budget includes a 6-7% pay increase for teachers and principals, performance pay provisions for additional bonuses, increases for all education related growth and even includes a provision allowing property tax dollars to fund public schools or public charter schools directly outside district lines. Consider the impact of this on teachers, who recently took to the streets to protest what they get paid. If money flows to schools, the potential for more and better funding opportunities for teachers is enormous. Think about it!

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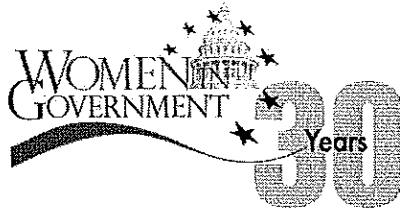
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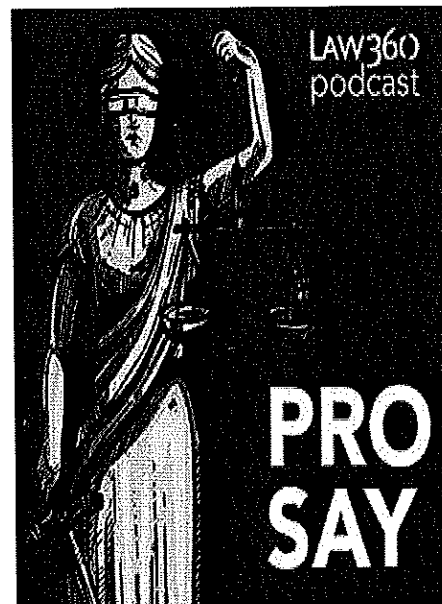
DC Circ. Upholds EPA Rule Limiting Federal Court Decisions

The D.C. Circuit on Friday rejected a coalition of industry groups' challenge to a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency rule that allows the agency to deviate from its national policy and implement Clean Air Act regulations differently in one part of the country if a federal court there disagrees with the EPA's approach. [Read more »](#)

DOJ Sheds Some Light On Scope Of Foreign Lobbying Law

As the U.S. Department of Justice ramps up enforcement of foreign lobbying violations, it shed some additional light on who needs to disclose such work by releasing scores of advisory opinions Friday involving everything from D.C. law firms to human rights groups. [Read more »](#)

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WTO Bellwethers Could Guide Fate Of Trump's Metal Tariffs

Top U.S. partners launched a crusade against President Donald Trump's steel and aluminum tariffs at the World Trade Organization this past week, but a pair of lower-profile cases already underway may offer clues as to how Geneva will examine the fraught intersection of trade policy and national security. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

4 Things To Know About NJ's Sports Betting Bill

A bill passed by the New Jersey Legislature to authorize sports betting in the state would impose restrictions on such gambling and direct operators to share information with regulators about suspicious activities, while giving no active role to sports leagues in the process. Here are some takeaways about the legislation. [Read more »](#)

Tech Union's F-1 Visa Row Partially Revived By DC Circ.

The D.C. Circuit on Friday partially revived a technology workers union's challenge to a federal government program that expanded the ability of foreign-born individuals with F-1 student visas to work in the United States, affirming the tossing of three claims while allowing one to come back. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

Mulvaney Defends Reboot Of CFPB's Advisory Boards

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau acting Director Mick Mulvaney said Friday that his agency's controversial plan involving the dismissal of the current members of its three advisory boards is actually about increasing outside input, not shutting it down. [Read more »](#)

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Analysis

Pa. Ruling May Set Higher Zoning Hurdle For Drillers

A recent Pennsylvania Supreme Court ruling rejecting a municipality's decision to greenlight hydraulic fracturing in a largely residential and agricultural neighborhood may force drillers to work a little harder to clearly show that their projects fall within the range of accepted land uses in different zoning districts. [Read more »](#)

House OKs Energy Department, Military Construction Funds

The U.S. House of Representatives took its first step Friday toward funding the government next year, passing spending bills for energy and water projects, Congress itself, military construction and the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs. [Read more »](#)

Six Congressional Democrats Ask FBI To Investigate Pruitt

Six congressional Democrats on Friday sent a letter to the Federal Bureau of Investigation asking it to look into whether U.S. Environmental Protection Agency head Scott Pruitt used his position to benefit himself, referencing recent accusations saying he assisted his wife's business ambitions. [Read more »](#)

Feds Can't Shut Down SC Nuclear Facility Before Hearing

A federal judge in South Carolina has blocked the U.S. government from closing a nuclear fuel processing facility near the Savannah River and said that the state appears likely to prevail in its efforts to keep the plant open this year, given congressional support for the costly, delayed project. [Read more »](#)

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Meet The Lobbyist Battling FDA In Epic Supplement Clash

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House Passes \$15B CHIP, Car Tech Research Spending Cuts

The U.S. House of Representatives passed a \$15 billion pullback of already authorized spending on the Children's Health Insurance Program, car technology research and other areas on Thursday, putting the funding rollback on an uncertain path in the Senate. Read more »

REAL ESTATE

Texas Justices Say Builder Can't Sue Pol Over Permit Delay

The Texas Supreme Court said Friday that a developer could not sue a county commissioner in his official capacity for allegedly working to delay the approval of a subdivision project, finding the officeholder is not in a position to remedy any damage the company claims to have suffered. Read more »

BENEFITS

Analysis

ERISA Question May Kill States' Retirement Savings Programs

Lawmakers in five states say their recently enacted auto-IRA programs, which funnel a portion of all private-sector workers' paychecks into individual retirement accounts unless they opt out, will extinguish their state's retirement-savings crisis — but will the programs buckle under accusations that they violate the

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Employee Retirement Income Security Act?
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EMPLOYMENT

NLRB Takes Flak At Conference For 'Job Creation' Stance

National Labor Relations Board Chairman John Ring faced criticism from an agency employee in the audience at a labor conference Friday over whether his recent remarks that the board has a role to play in job creation will result in weaker enforcement of federal labor law, with Ring saying that isn't the case. [Read more »](#)

NJ Bar Fights Ban On NDAs In Sex Harassment Cases

The New Jersey State Bar Association has implored lawmakers to gut pending legislation that would ban nondisclosure agreements from workplace sexual harassment case settlements, arguing that victims should be able to choose whether or not to disclose their experience. [Read more »](#)

COMPETITION

FTC Won't Pause La. Real Estate Board Case For Appeal

The Federal Trade Commission has denied a request from the Louisiana Real Estate Appraisers Board to pause an administrative proceeding challenging board regulations that control appraisal fees while it appeals to the Fifth Circuit an immunity bid that the commission rejected. [Read more »](#)

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

Top Senate Intel Aide Released Amid Charges Of Lying To FBI

A top staffer for the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence who was recently arrested and charged with lying to the FBI about his contacts with reporters was released Friday

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U.S. Census Bureau

after a brief hearing, with his passport taken away and his freedom to travel limited. Read more »

Dem Wants White House To Explain Arrestee's Clearance

A top House Democrat urged White House Chief of Staff John Kelly on Thursday to explain how a National Security Council contract staffer continued to be allowed to work at the White House despite an outstanding warrant for attempted murder, saying the issue had raised "grave questions" about the administration's security clearance process. Read more »

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

3rd-Party Funding Has No Place In Treaty Arbitration: Report

The use of third-party funding in investor-state dispute settlement is an "exploitation" of the investment law regime because it unfairly tips the balance away from developing nations, according to a recent report authored by a Boston College Law School and Pontifical Catholic University of Chile task force. Read more »

TAX

Interview

'Politicized' Tax Haven Blacklist Too Secret, EU Tax Chief Says

A controversial list of tax havens from the European Union has been "politicized" by member nations, but peer pressure kept their worst instincts in check, top EU tax official Pierre Moscovici said in an exclusive interview. Read more »

Former IRS Commissioner Blasts Politics, Funding, Training

While the Internal Revenue Service acted improperly in how it handled exemption determination letters, the political partisanship

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that currently prevails as well as fiscal irresponsibility are among the largest problems that must be addressed at the agency, former IRS Commissioner Lawrence B. Gibbs said Friday. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

Feature

Brexit And More: Topics Immigration Attys Are Talking About

There have been several important developments in overseas immigration policy in recent months, from the unfolding details of the Brexit transition to reforms in Canada meant to attract high-skilled workers. Here, Law360 gets you up to speed on what immigration attorneys in multinational firms are watching. [Read more »](#)

Lawmakers Urge Trump Not To Split Up Immig. Parents, Kids

Members of the House and Senate on Thursday condemned the Trump administration's recent "zero tolerance" policy for unauthorized border crossers, saying in writing that the move has led to increasing numbers of children being separated from their parents [Read more »](#)

Census Wrong To Count All Immigrants, Ala. Tells House

The U.S. Census Bureau violates the U.S. Constitution and other federal regulations by including immigrants unauthorized to be in the United States in its count of individuals living in the country, Alabama's attorney general told a subcommittee of the House Judiciary Committee on Friday. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

Interview

Tribe Member Looks To Win Idaho Gov. Race By A Landslide

Fresh off her victory in last month's Democratic primary for Idaho governor, Coeur d'Alene Tribe member Paulette Jordan is hoping that her progressive campaign will raise a bumper crop of voters fed up with the Trump administration and Republican control of the state government who will help her become the first Native American governor in U.S. history. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

Top 3 Groups Lobbying The FCC

During May, some of the most active telecom lobbyists practicing before the Federal Communications Commission doubled down on spectrum-sharing and copper-to-fiber network transitions, urging the agency to protect satellite transmissions and accelerate the switch to newer infrastructure. [Read more »](#)

New FCC Rules Take On Illicit Carrier Switching, Charges

The Federal Communications Commission created new rules Thursday aimed at combating unauthorized switching of telephone carriers and subsequent charges to customers, codifying standing prohibitions on the illicit practice. [Read more »](#)

FCC's O'Rielly Outlines Which States Still Divert 911 Fees

Federal Communications Commissioner Michael O'Rielly acknowledged Friday that his drive to get states to stop diverting 911 emergency taxes collected on monthly telephone bills to other purposes has been a mixed bag, with some state governments putting a halt to the practice immediately and others seemingly ignoring him altogether. [Read more »](#)

Fla. Panel Rejects Class Bid In Red-Light Camera Case

A Florida appeals court ruled Friday that a lower court properly found that the "voluntary payment defense" applies to a man's suit seeking refunds of fines paid under an invalid Orlando red-light camera ordinance and that the long-standing doctrine trips up his bid for class treatment. [Read more »](#)

PEOPLE

FTC Taps New Inspector General From Commerce

The Federal Trade Commission said Friday that it has replaced its retired inspector general with a staffer from the U.S. Department of Commerce who has extensive audit experience from several governmental agencies. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

New Calif. 'National Origin' Rules Stray From Federal Policy

The recent approval of new amendments to the California Fair Employment and Housing Act by the state's Office of Administrative Law broadens and bolsters the protections the state affords to noncitizens. But it also directly clashes with President Donald Trump's executive orders on immigration, says Thea Rogers of Elkins Kalt Weintraub Reuben Gartside LLP. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

We Must Protect The PTAB

Some people are intent on convincing newly appointed U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Director Andrei Iancu to roll back post-grant review procedures. The innovation community needs to remind Iancu why the patent reform gains of the last few years are so critical, says Dana Rao, associate general counsel of intellectual property and litigation at Adobe Systems Inc. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

Exempt Indian Country From The 'Kiddie Tax'

Congress should move to exclude the transfer of tribal funds to young tribal members from being taxed under the "Kiddie tax," a tax instated in 1986 and amplified by the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, say attorneys at Holland & Knight LLP. [Read more »](#)

Right Of Way And Property Rights In A Driverless World

With much land in today's cities currently designated right of way, broad use of autonomous vehicles may provide opportunities to repurpose some of this property. But first, decision-makers will need to understand the nature of the ownership interests in the property, says Michelle Rudd of Stoel Rives LLP. [Read more »](#)

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Feature

4 Technologies That Are Helping To Bridge The Justice Gap

The vast majority of low-income Americans facing civil legal problems received inadequate or no legal help in 2017. Here, Law360 looks at four of the latest tools that may have the potential to digitally bridge that justice gap. [Read more »](#)

Ogletree Says Atty In Gender Bias Suit Is Forum Shopping

Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC has again urged a California federal court to transfer a contentious \$300 million gender discrimination suit from the state's Northern District to its Central District, saying the lead plaintiff has "candidly conceded that she is forum shopping." [Read more »](#)

King & Spalding To Face Trial In Ex-Associate's Firing Suit

A New York federal judge on Friday denied King & Spalding LLP's bid to escape a former

associate's retaliatory firing suit, picking apart the firm's defenses after it neglected her admonition to settle the suit at a hearing last month. [Read more »](#)

Feature

Law School Oversight Suits Point To Needed ABA Reforms

In the past month, the American Bar Association has been hit with four lawsuits criticizing the way the association accredits and regulates law schools, but while experts are somewhat skeptical about the suits' chances of success, many agree that the suits do get at least one thing right: The ABA's approach to law schools is in need of reform. [Read more »](#)

NJ Justices Won't Rethink Legal Service Sites Ban

The New Jersey Supreme Court has declined to second-guess an ethics decision barring Garden State attorneys from using legal service providers Avvo, Rocket Lawyer and LegalZoom, dealing a blow to consumer watchdogs who say the move reduces public access to legal services. [Read more »](#)

Feature

GC Cheat Sheet: The Hottest Corporate News Of The Week

Democratic state attorneys general urged the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau to maintain public access to its consumer complaint database on the financial industry and a New York City Bar panel said some new efforts to bolster companies' sexual harassment policies may be creating unintended legal pitfalls that must be weighed carefully. These are some of the stories in corporate legal news you may have missed in the past week. [Read more »](#)

Podcast

Law360's Pro Say: The Obscure Law That Snagged Manafort

Robert Mueller's investigation of Russian meddling in the 2016 election made headlines a few times this week, so we're devoting the latest episode of Law360's Pro Say podcast to explaining what you need to know about the recent twists and turns in the investigation. [Read more »](#)

In Case You Missed It: Hottest Firms And Stories On Law360

For those who missed out, here's a look back at the law firms, stories and expert analyses that generated the most buzz on Law360 last week. [Read more »](#)

Impediments To Legal Industry's 'Inevitable' Future: Part 2

I agree with the legal pundits speculating that NewLaw's present and future disruptors will radically change the legal services industry, but that change may not come quite as rapidly as predicted. Regardless, now is the time for both the incumbents and the challengers to best position themselves for the eventual shakeup, says Craig Levinson, founder of Levity Partners. [Read more »](#)

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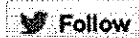
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TOP NEWS

Justices Kick Florist Gay Bias Suit To Wash. Supreme Court

The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday told the Washington Supreme Court to reconsider whether a florist violated state law by refusing to make a flower arrangement for a gay wedding in light of the court's recent ruling that a Colorado civil rights panel had it in for a baker accused of anti-gay bias. [Read more »](#)

Supreme Court To Hear Case Against Social Security Agency

The U.S. Supreme Court agreed Monday to weigh in on whether job-market experts need to support their conclusions with data when recommending that a judge deny someone Social Security disability benefits because they allegedly could have performed other work. [Read more »](#)

Supreme Court Hands Texas Win In Redistricting Row

The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday largely sided with the state of Texas in a redistricting battle that's been ongoing since 2011, holding in a 5-4 opinion that, with the exception of one state electoral district that was a "racial



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gerrymander," the maps can be used moving forward. [Read more »](#)

6th Circ. Says Ohio Judicial Campaign Laws Constitutional

In a precedential opinion Monday, the Sixth Circuit upheld Ohio's restrictions on judicial candidates, saying limits on fundraising, open party affiliation and endorsements "toed [the] constitutional tightrope" and were designed to protect both real and perceived judicial impartiality. [Read more »](#)

EPA Kicks Off Ozone Standard Review

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency on Monday embarked on an ambitious plan to complete its five-year review of air quality standards for ozone on time, a longtime goal for the agency, but part of the EPA's new methodology has been criticized as too accommodating to industry interests. [Read more »](#)

DHS Stands By Decision To End DACA In DC Court Challenge

The U.S. Department of Homeland Security defended its plan to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, arguing in a memo Friday that the 2012 program protecting certain young unauthorized immigrants from deportation was illegal. [Read more »](#)

Trump Not Eyeing Broader Investment Restrictions: Adviser

A trade adviser to President Donald Trump asserted on Monday that the administration is not considering imposing broad foreign investment restrictions as part of the nation's response to its current intellectual property and trade conflicts with China and other countries. [Read more »](#)

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High Court To Decide Service Row In USS Cole Bombing Case

The U.S. Supreme Court will take up an appeal over service requirements under the Foreign Sovereign Immunities Act that's triggered a split in the circuit courts, granting on Monday Sudan's bid to review whether victims of the 2000 USS Cole bombing are entitled to a \$315 million default judgment after case documents were sent to the country's U.S. embassy. [Read more »](#)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

DOL's Mine Office Looking Into New Vehicle, Conveyor Rules

The U.S. Department of Labor's mine safety office may issue new regulations aimed at reducing deaths related to mining vehicle accidents and the use of belt conveyor systems, according to an information request set to be published in the Federal Register on Tuesday. [Read more »](#)

Senate Passes Energy, Water, Construction Spending Bill

The Senate passed a bill providing tens of billions of dollars in federal spending on energy and water projects, military construction and veterans' affairs Monday, the first funding bill for the next fiscal year to pass the chamber. [Read more »](#)

NRDC Asks High Court To Back EPA Authority In HFC Row

The National Resource Defense Council on Monday asked the U.S. Supreme Court to take on its challenge to an appeals court's determination that the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency rule forcing manufacturers to stop using hydrofluorocarbons was invalid, arguing the decision "relegates EPA to the role of neighborhood scold." [Read more »](#)

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NFL Enterprises LLC

National Employment Law Project

National Immigration Law Center

National Mining Association

National Restaurant Association

Natural Resources Defense Council

Justices Turn Away Tip Pool Suits After Congress Steps In

The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday turned away two appeals challenging the U.S. Department of Labor's 2011 rule barring businesses from making tipped workers share their gratuities with nontipped workers such as dishwashers, declining the cases after Congress pulled parts of the rule in this year's federal spending bill. [Read more »](#)

Ex-NJDOT Ethics Officer Can't Duck Suspension, Court Says

A New Jersey state appeals court on Monday refused to disturb a five-day suspension issued to a former ethics liaison officer at the state Department of Transportation for not completing 1,267 ethics forms and not providing ethics training to 119 new agency employees before he was transferred to another position. [Read more »](#)

CONSUMER PROTECTION

Analysis

NY Ruling Could Fuel Push To Turn CFPB Into Commission

A Manhattan federal judge's recent ruling that the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau is structured unconstitutionally could strengthen the hand of those who want to convert the agency's leadership from a single director to a bipartisan commission, experts said. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

EU, China Eye Closer Economic Ties Amid Trump Trade Brawl

As the Trump administration imposes and threatens new trade barriers on key allies, two of its largest trading partners, the European Union and China, held talks on Monday to draw their economies closer together through a

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Federal Aviation Administration

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Massachusetts Legislature

Michigan Department of Treasury

Mine Safety and Health Administration

range of trade liberalization initiatives. Read more »

Harley-Davidson Eyeing Offshore Move To Skirt EU Tariffs

Motorcycle giant Harley-Davidson said Monday that it is considering moving some of its production out of the U.S. in order to elude steep tariffs on its products that the European Union has imposed in retaliation for the Trump administration's sweeping steel and aluminum duties. Read more »

TAX

Supreme Court Will Hear Narrowed W.Va. Tax Retirees Case

The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday agreed to hear a limited question on West Virginia's tax treatment of a federal U.S. marshal's retirement benefits, a case that could clarify how the doctrine of intergovernmental tax immunity applies to narrow state employee tax exemptions. Read more »

Mass. Approves 'Grand Bargain' Bill With Sales Tax Holiday

The Massachusetts Legislature has agreed to a compromise bill known as a "grand bargain," establishing a permanent yearly sales tax holiday, increasing the state's minimum wage to \$15 an hour by 2023 and extending paid medical and family leave. Read more »

NJ Gov. Pokes Holes In Legislature's Revenue Projections

New Jersey Gov. Phil Murphy on Monday afternoon pushed back on the Legislature's own \$36.5 billion budget passed last week, arguing he will veto the plan because its projected revenues and savings lacked long-term sustainability but giving little indication of progress to head off a possible government shutdown. Read more »

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U.S. Supreme Court
United States District Court for the Eastern District of Pennsylvania
World Trade Organization
Wyoming Attorney General's Office

NJ Senate Sends Payroll Tax Bill For Jersey City To Gov.

The New Jersey Senate sent the governor a bill Monday that would allow Jersey City to impose a payroll tax to pay for school districts despite industrial groups' complaints that such taxes make municipalities less friendly to businesses. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Tax Guidance Maintains Sunny Outlook For Solar Developers

Solar developers got some good news last week when the Internal Revenue Service issued guidance ensuring they will enjoy the same level of federal tax credit eligibility as wind power developers, which experts say means the government will shoulder some of the elevated costs of solar projects caused by Trump administration tariffs. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

Border Patrol Won't Send Crossers With Kids To Prosecutors

U.S. Customs and Border Protection has stopped referring people who've crossed the Mexican border with children to prosecutors in a move the agency characterized Monday as a necessary step to implement President Donald Trump's executive order barring splitting up migrant families. [Read more »](#)

Ariz. Barred From Denying Licenses To Certain Immigrants

Arizona's policy of denying driver's licenses to certain immigrants who've been granted deferred action on their legal status by the federal government has been deemed unconstitutional and blocked by a federal judge. [Read more »](#)

Trump Draws Ire For Demanding Deportation Without Courts

The White House press secretary defended President Donald Trump's tweets suggesting

that unauthorized border crossers should be deported without judicial proceedings despite widespread condemnation from the legal community, saying Monday that immigrants who do not have hearing before a judge still retain due process rights. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

High Court Won't Hear Tribes' Appeal Of Reservation Ruling

The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday declined to hear the Eastern Shoshone and Northern Arapaho tribes' challenges to a Tenth Circuit ruling that the tribes' shared Wyoming reservation was shrunk by a 1905 law. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

FCC Raises Telemedicine Program Cap To \$571M

The Federal Communications Commission voted Monday to raise the cap on its rural health care program to \$571 million, in a move hailed as helping underserved areas gain access to modern medical services through technology. [Read more »](#)

FCC Must Even Cable, IPTV And Satellite Fees, Groups Say

The Federal Communications Commission should hike regulatory fees assessed on DirecTV and DISH Network to align them with burdens already shouldered by cable and internet-protocol-based TV programmers, industry groups recently argued. [Read more »](#)

WHITE COLLAR

Allentown Mayor's Promise To Atty Not Bribery, Judge Told

Evidence of a general promise of future city legal work in exchange for campaign contributions to the now-convicted former mayor of Allentown, Pennsylvania, was not

enough to convict ex-Norris McLaughlin & Marcus PA partner Scott Allinson for bribery, a federal judge heard Monday. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

Series

From Lawmaker To Lawyer: 6 Things I Learned In Congress

I found that senior members of Congress didn't have time to mentor younger members. Lawyers — though just as busy as members of Congress — cannot afford to follow this model, says former Rep. Charles Gonzalez, D-Texas, of Ogletree Deakins Nash Smoak & Stewart PC. [Read more »](#)

Lucia Leaves Many Important Questions Unanswered

Predicting the impact of the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in *Lucia* is far from simple. Litigants cannot be sure how the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission will handle pending matters, and the SEC cannot be sure how administrative law judges should be appointed in the future to avoid additional judicial scrutiny, say attorneys with Morrison & Foerster LLP. [Read more »](#)

FLSA At 80: It's More Important Than Ever

Today, wages are stagnating while CEO and executive pay continue to skyrocket, many workers in low-wage industries struggle to bring home minimum wage due to weakly enforced wage theft laws, and some employers are finding more ways to outsource work and evade responsibility for their workers. We need the Fair Labor Standards Act more than ever, says Catherine Ruckelshaus, general counsel at the National Employment Law Project. [Read more »](#)

Opinion

Asylum Seekers Lose Under AG Sessions' New Restrictions

Attorney General Jeff Sessions recently issued a decision limiting the availability of asylum for women and children who suffer domestic violence in their home country, vacating existing precedent and delivering a blow to victims of domestic violence from countries without institutions to protect them, says Jim Feroli, pro bono coordinator and government liaison at Catholic Charities, Archdiocese of Washington. [Read more »](#)

Will The Robots Who Replace Us Also Pay Income Tax?

Modern information technology, intelligent algorithms and production robots are strongly influencing the working world in the 21st century. This article, by attorneys at CMS Francis Lefebvre, provides an overview of the future labor market as well as the impact of artificial intelligence on labor law and tax issues. [Read more »](#)

BSEE Listened To Industry In Well Control Rule Revisions

The U.S. Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement issued its 2016 well control rule in the wake of the Deepwater Horizon disaster. The revisions it proposed last month respond to complaints that the rule failed to account for best available, economically feasible safety technologies, and set out requirements that were neutral in benefit but rendered some wells uneconomical, say attorneys with King & Spalding LLP. [Read more »](#)

Venezuela Sanctions Complicate Compliance For Cos.

New sanctions issued by President Donald Trump last month prohibit transactions involving the purchase of any debt owed to the Venezuela government. The challenge for firms that buy and sell securities is that the interest of a sanctioned party in any given security or transaction may not be readily apparent, say attorneys with Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP. [Read more »](#)

LEGAL INDUSTRY

Susman Godfrey Outranks Cravath With Higher Associate Pay

Susman Godfrey LLP has topped the associate compensation scale put forth two weeks ago by Cravath Swaine & Moore LLP by offering an additional \$5,000 for each class of attorneys, the Texas-based law firm said Monday. [Read more »](#)

Chicago Landlord Says Defunct Sedgwick Law Firm In Default

The owner of the building that housed Sedgwick LLP's Chicago office asked a California state court for an entry of default against the now-defunct law firm and its partners Friday, a request that came almost three months after the landlord filed a suit alleging breach of contract and seeking more than \$450,000 in damages. [Read more »](#)

Big Legal Malpractice Claim Payouts Up As Volume Stays Flat

The number of allegations of blown cases and bad legal advice last year appeared steady even as the number of mega-sized malpractice bills continued to grow, according to insurer data released Monday. [Read more »](#)

Justices Decline Recusal Question On Judge's Alleged Tweets

The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday declined to hear a bid by Sierra Pacific Industries Inc. to overturn a Ninth Circuit decision upholding a \$55 million California wildfire settlement and acreage transfer in a case where a federal judge's allegedly improper tweets were also at issue. [Read more »](#)

Interview

15 Minutes With Kimpton Hotels' General Counsel

Throughout her law career, Melinda Stier has had two stints at Kimpton Hotels & Restaurants, a path she refers to as a

"boomerang." From 2004 until 2007, she worked as vice president and assistant general counsel, and now she is at the top of the legal rung. Here, Stier shares ways the hotel industry is adapting to changes in technology and the most important skills for a general counsel that she didn't learn in law school. [Read more »](#)

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KENNEDY RETIRES

Analysis

Roberts Becomes True Power As 'Kennedy Court' Ends

The retirement of Justice Anthony Kennedy means that Chief Justice John Roberts is now the U.S. Supreme Court's most important member not just in title but also in reality, empowering him to advance a muscular conservative agenda and perhaps broker deals with outgunned liberals. [Read more »](#)

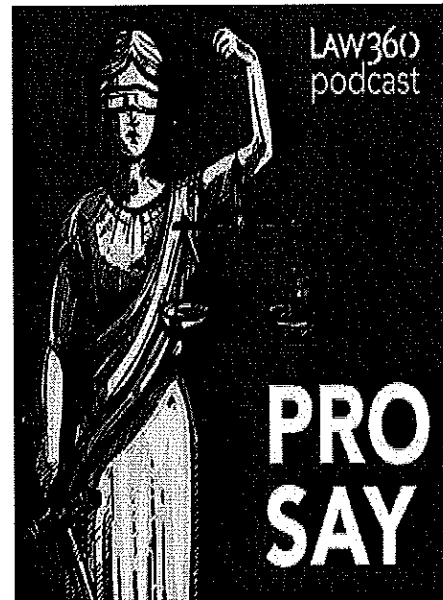
Delay On Kennedy Replacement 'Ain't Going To Happen': GOP

High-ranking Republicans on the Senate Judiciary Committee stood firm Thursday on keeping Majority Leader Mitch McConnell's promise to vote this fall on a replacement for retiring U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy, with one saying Democrats' calls to wait until after the November midterms "ain't going to happen." [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Why The Defense Bar Celebrates Kennedy

Associate Justice Anthony Kennedy spent his three decades on the high court making a name for himself as a champion of individual freedoms, but he also authored the majority opinion in *Ashcroft v. Iqbal* that changed



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Analysis

Post-Kennedy Court Likely To Take Narrow View Of Title VII

A circuit split on whether Title VII's ban on workplace sex discrimination includes bias based on sexual orientation had civil rights advocates hoping the U.S. Supreme Court would eventually declare that federal law protects gay workers, but Justice Anthony Kennedy's retirement means that's a long shot, experts say. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Kennedy's Exit Puts Climate Change Regulations On Thin Ice

The retirement of U.S. Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy throws the future of federal climate change action into doubt, as experts say a more conservative high court could not only undo or neuter its landmark decision that greenhouse gases are pollutants, but also scuttle legal challenges of governmental decisions to regulate climate change and other environmental hazards. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Kennedy Known For Careful Scrutiny Of Statutory Language

Retiring Supreme Court Justice Anthony Kennedy is known — and will be missed — for his meticulous scrutiny of the language of the law, a characteristic that can be found in abundance in a 2008 majority opinion written by Kennedy that placed limits on who could be held liable in securities fraud class action cases, legal experts said Thursday. [Read more »](#)

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Eversheds Sutherland
Faegre Baker
Fenwick & West
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Cases at the U.S. Supreme Court this term over President Donald Trump's travel ban and a baker's refusal to make a wedding cake for a gay couple involved strikingly similar claims related to religious-based animus, but ultimately diverged because the justices chose not to second-guess the president's motives, constitutional scholars said. [Read more »](#)

Analysis

Nixing Trump's Favorite Trade Weapon Looks Like Long Shot

A new challenge to the expansive Cold War-era law President Donald Trump has used to slap tariffs on steel and aluminum imports will face a steep uphill climb, legal experts say, as the case will have to overcome nearly a century's worth of precedent on the constitutional separation of powers. [Read more »](#)

Senate Panel Punts On 3rd, 11th Circ. Picks Over Tariffs

The Senate Judiciary Committee advanced several district court picks on Thursday, even as Sen. Jeff Flake, R-Ariz., has continued to stonewall advancing nominees for the Third and Eleventh circuits until the chamber votes on a tariff measure. [Read more »](#)

Senate Passes Farm Bill, Sets Up Clash With House

The U.S. Senate passed a five-year overhaul and reauthorization of farm subsidy and nutrition support programs Thursday, setting up a clash with the House over work requirements for the food stamp program. [Read more »](#)

BANKING & SECURITIES

Deutsche Bank Unit Comes Up Short In Fed Stress Tests

The Federal Reserve Board said Thursday that Deutsche Bank Trust Corp.'s U.S. subsidiary has flunked the latest round of annual stress

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testing over "material weaknesses" in its capital planning practices, while The Goldman Sachs Group Inc. and Morgan Stanley will have to keep buybacks and dividends steady because of side effects from last year's tax legislation. [Read more »](#)

ENERGY & ENVIRONMENTAL

FERC Commissioner Powelson To Step Down In August

Federal Energy Regulatory Commissioner Robert Powelson said Thursday he will step down in August, creating an even partisan split at the commission as it tackles weighty issues such as a pipeline policy revision and a potential U.S. Department of Energy bailout of coal and nuclear power plants. [Read more »](#)

Agencies Fight Tribes' Bid To Force Higher Lake Water Levels

Several federal agencies on Wednesday urged a California federal judge to reject the Klamath Tribes' request to immediately make the government maintain certain water levels in the Upper Klamath Lake for the protection of two fish species, arguing that the tribes are unlikely to win the case. [Read more »](#)

NJ Town Joins Growing Resistance To Plastic Bags

Jersey City, New Jersey, enacted an environmentally friendly ordinance Thursday banning merchants from using carryout bags made of plastic, following the lead of other Garden State towns that have identical laws in place and state lawmakers who want to curb the use of nonrecyclable takeout containers. [Read more »](#)

IP & TECHNOLOGY

Senate Panel Advances Bill To Overhaul Music Licensing

The Senate Judiciary Committee moved forward Thursday with a bill that would

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overhaul how Spotify and other online music services pay royalties, as well as how license holders for pre-1972 hits are compensated. [Read more »](#)

MEDIA & ENTERTAINMENT

Pa. Casinos Threaten To Sue Over Slot-Style Lottery Games

The operators of Pennsylvania's casinos are threatening a lawsuit over new online lottery offerings from the state that they say violate recently adopted gambling laws by improperly replicating casino-style games. [Read more »](#)

REAL ESTATE

NJ City Accused Of Anti-Trump Bias In Kushner Project Fight

Jersey City has been slammed with a New Jersey federal lawsuit alleging municipal officials have attempted to drive out the real estate development firm owned by the family of White House senior adviser Jared Kushner as a partner in a redevelopment project because of the mayor's "political animus" toward Republican President Donald Trump. [Read more »](#)

EMPLOYMENT

4 Post-Janus Developments You Need To Know

Although the ink is barely dry on the U.S. Supreme Court's landmark Janus decision barring public-sector unions from collecting so-called fair share fees from workers, the ruling has spurred quick actions to handle the fallout, including from congressional Democrats, nearly two dozen mayors and a right-to-work nonprofit. Here, Law360 looks at four post-Janus developments to keep tabs on. [Read more »](#)

NJ Agency Must Turn Over Complaints In Racial Bias Suit

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First Reserve Corp.
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Kaspersky Lab Ltd.
KeyCorp
Lambda Legal Defense & Educational Fund
Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law
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Spectrum Management Holding Co.
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State Street Corp.
Stoneridge, Inc.
Theranos Inc.

A New Jersey appeals court on Wednesday ordered two state agencies to turn over bias complaints in a racial discrimination suit against the agencies, ruling that the state's concerns about the privacy of employees who made those complaints were unfounded. Read more »

Mass. Gov. Signs Family Leave, Minimum Wage Bill

Republican Massachusetts Gov. Charlie Baker on Thursday signed legislation that will gradually raise the state's minimum wage, implement a family and medical leave policy and make a sales tax holiday permanent, according to his office. Read more »

COMPETITION

FCC Urged To Halt Sinclair-Tribune Deal Over Rules Review

Nonprofit groups Public Knowledge and Common Cause on Thursday told the Federal Communications Commission to wait before deciding if Sinclair Broadcast Group Inc. can merge with Tribune Media Co. until after the D.C. Circuit has looked at whether the agency's viewership discounts under its UHF rule are lawful. Read more »

CYBERSECURITY & PRIVACY

DC Circ. Expects Quick Response To Kaspersky's Stay Bid

The D.C. Circuit on Thursday gave the federal government a little more than a week to respond to an emergency request to stay a planned ban on federal contracts for Kaspersky Lab, after the company argued the government had moved up the effective date of the ban. Read more »

Calif. Enacts Internet Privacy Law, Erasing Ballot Effort

California Gov. Jerry Brown on Thursday signed a landmark privacy bill that will give

Tribune Media Co.

Twitter Inc.

Verizon Communications Inc.

Wells Fargo & Co.

ZTE Corp.

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consumers the ability to control how online companies use and share their personal information and to request its deletion, prompting the backers of a similar but potentially more stringent privacy initiative set to appear on the November election ballot to withdraw their proposal. [Read more »](#)

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE

House Passes \$675B Defense Spending Bill

The U.S. House of Representatives on Thursday easily passed its nearly \$675 billion bill funding the U.S. Department of Defense for 2019, while rejecting a proposal to add more funding for attack submarines, as a Senate panel approved its own version of the bill. [Read more »](#)

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

Commerce Hands Down Early Tariffs On Asian Pipe Imports

The U.S. Department of Commerce moved to slap tariffs on imports of large-diameter welded pipes from several Asian countries, determining that producers from India, South Korea, China and Turkey had been unfairly subsidized by their respective governments. [Read more »](#)

TAX

IRS Commissioner Nominee Queried On Pass-Through Deduction

Charles Rettig, nominee for Internal Revenue Service commissioner, was questioned Thursday by a member of the Senate Finance Committee about the 20 percent deduction for certain pass-through income included in last year's federal tax overhaul legislation. [Read more »](#)

Calif. Gov. OKs Soda Tax Ban, Citing Beverage Biz Threat

Securities and Exchange Commission

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U.S. House of Representatives

U.S. Senate

U.S. Supreme Court

California Gov. Jerry Brown on Thursday signed a measure that blocks cities and counties from enacting taxes on soda and other sugar-filled drinks through 2030, citing the threat of a beverage industry ballot measure that went away with the swipe of his pen. [Read more »](#)

IMMIGRATION

Senate OKs Bill To Grant New Zealanders Access To E Visas

The U.S. Senate on Thursday unanimously passed a bill that would add New Zealand to the list of countries participating in the E visa program, which allows nationals of certain foreign countries to temporarily reside in the U.S. to conduct trade and investment operations. [Read more »](#)

Feds Ordered To Halt Release Policy For NY Detained Minors

A New York federal court on Wednesday ordered the federal government to pause its policy requiring the head of an immigration agency to personally review and sign off on the release of detained minors who have been held in a more restrictive setting, certifying a class of children held in the state. [Read more »](#)

Trump's Remarks Did Not 'Taint' DACA Rollback, 9th Circ. Told

The Trump administration on Thursday urged the Ninth Circuit to find that, under the U.S. Supreme Court's travel ban ruling earlier this week, President Donald Trump's derogatory statements on the campaign trail regarding Mexicans similarly "did not taint" the administration's plan to end the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program. [Read more »](#)

Pro Bono Spotlight

BigLaw Jumps Into Immigration Fray

In response to the administration's zero-tolerance and family separation policies,

BigLaw firms across the country are partnering with each other and a constellation of nonprofits to provide pro bono legal aid to parents and children seeking to be reunited and be granted asylum. [Read more »](#)

NATIVE AMERICAN

Law Enforcement Can't Stop Wash. Tribe's Fireworks Sales

A Washington federal court on Thursday granted a request by the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation for immediate relief to prevent law enforcement from halting their members from selling fireworks sanctioned by tribal permit or confiscating the merchandise. [Read more »](#)

TELECOMMUNICATIONS

FCC's O'Rielly Says Admin Hearings Wrongly Kill Mergers

The Federal Communications Commission's administrative law judge system is one of the easiest ways to strangle a proposed media merger, Commissioner Michael O'Rielly suggested Thursday, saying in a speech that the agency's in-house review process should be scrapped. [Read more »](#)

Municipal Broadband May Present Free Speech Concerns

While municipally operated broadband networks may be an attractive option after the recent net neutrality rule deregulation, an expert warned Thursday that government-run networks can raise free speech concerns. [Read more »](#)

Rosenworcel Offers San Jose Small Cell Deals As 5G Model

Federal Communications Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel is promoting contracts approved by the city of San Jose, California, for the deployment of 5G next generation broadband as a solution to

conflicts between carriers' need for access to utility poles with local governments' demand to control the terms of telecom attachments.

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Microsoft Urges Limited 'White Spaces' Spectrum Program

Microsoft Corp. has urged the Federal Communications Commission to preserve the status quo on its "white spaces" project, a plan to repurpose gaps between channels to power Wi-Fi-like signals in rural areas, which has proven to be controversial with groups that have complained the tech giant never participated in auctions and therefore isn't entitled to spectrum. [Read more »](#)

EXPERT ANALYSIS

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From Lawmaker To Lawyer: Prioritizing Is Always Key

Today, members of Congress often seem able to blame colleagues of the other party for not getting anything done for their constituents. In law practice, you can't really blame a bad result for your clients on the lawyers on the other side, says former Sen. Joe Lieberman, D-Conn., of Kasowitz Benson Torres LLP. [Read more »](#)

The E-Sign Act: 18 Years And All Grown Up

As the Electronic Signatures in Global and National Commerce Act — signed by President Bill Clinton on June 30, 2000 — reaches the age of maturity after being tested in the courts, and as more employers adopt or broaden their use of electronic signatures, now is a good time to review the basic requirements and lessons learned from the developing case law, says August Heckman of Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP. [Read more »](#)

Trump V. Hawaii Left To The 'Moral Judgments Of History'

In *Trump v. Hawaii*, the U.S. Supreme Court recently found that Congress “delegated” to the president the “comprehensive” power to suspend the entry of any noncitizens whose admission he found “detrimental” to American interests. The crux of the majority’s decision: No fig leaves here, says Joseph Tartakovsky, the James Wilson fellow in constitutional law at the Claremont Institute. [Read more »](#)

After Janus, Employers Should Proceed With Caution

The long-awaited decision in *Janus v. AFSCME* was the second within a month in which the U.S. Supreme Court ruled against unions, putting employers in a strong position at the bargaining table. But if employers appear too eager to exploit the moment, they risk facing a backlash, say Jack Schaedel and Christian Scali of Scali Rasmussen. [Read more »](#)

What You Should Know About The 24/7 Cybercrime Network

The CLOUD Act raises the possibility of agreements between the U.S. and EU on law enforcement access to digital evidence, and the EU’s proposed “e-evidence” regulation would streamline law enforcement access to data among its 28 member states. These two actions will greatly change the way that the G7’s 24/7 Cybercrime Network operates, says Chris Ott of Davis Wright Tremaine LLP. [Read more »](#)

IRS Delivers Double Whammy To Owners Of Escheated IRAs

Custodians of individual retirement accounts that escheat to the state will soon be required by the IRS to withhold 10 percent for federal income tax and report the escheatment as a taxable distribution to the owner. It is unclear whether the new rules provide any relief from the taxes and penalties these IRA owners may

face, says Daniel Morgan of Blank Rome LLP.
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LEGAL INDUSTRY

Paul Hastings, Cadwalader Move On Associate Pay Raises

Cadwalader Wickersham & Taft LLP, Paul Hastings LLP and Thompson & Knight LLP were among the firms that said they would be joining the trend of hiking salaries and offering mid-year bonuses for associates, according to internal memos made public on Thursday.
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Sedgwick Faces New, \$23M Landlord Suit Over NY Lease

The owner of the building that housed Sedgwick LLP's New York financial district office said the now-defunct law firm missed a payment related to the early termination of its lease and, as a result of the breach of contract, owes \$23 million, according to a suit filed in state court just days after the landlords of its Chicago office made similar claims. [Read more »](#)

Foley Hoag Extends 18-Week Leave Policy To All Parents

Foley Hoag LLP has announced that it is implementing a new parental leave policy that offers up to 18 weeks off in the 12 months after the birth or adoption of a child for all parents, regardless of whether they are the primary caregiver or not. [Read more »](#)

V&E Attys Hurt In Boat Crash, Partner Pilot Faces Questions

A Vinson & Elkins LLP partner was hit with an arrest warrant earlier this month over his alleged role piloting a boat that crashed in Travis County, Texas, injuring three of his fellow partners, according to documents filed in state court, though the warrant has reportedly since been rescinded. [Read more »](#)

Law360's Weekly Verdict: Legal Lions & Lambs

Williams & Connolly LLP partner Kannon Shanmugam landed on the legal lions list after the U.S. Supreme Court granted review on three of his cases during the past week, while attorneys at Haynes and Boone and Skadden ended up legal lambs after a judge slashed client ZeniMax's \$500 million intellectual property verdict in half. [Read more »](#)

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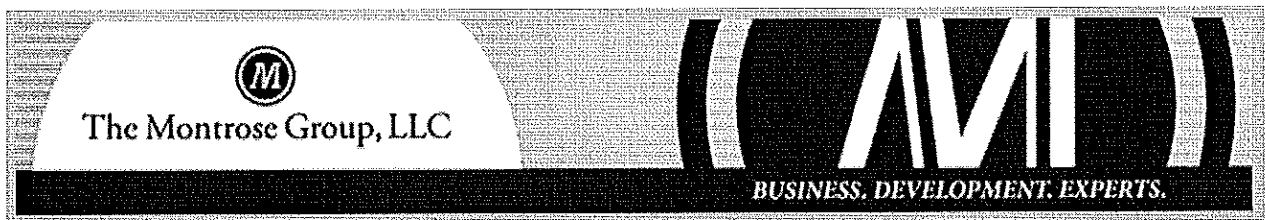
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Greetings!

Welcome to 2016. This year will see the election of a new President, 99 members of the Ohio House of Representatives, 16 Ohio Senators, one U.S. Senator from Ohio and 16 Ohio U.S. House members plus great debates in the Statehouse over the Capital Budget bill, energy battles and preparation for a major tax reform package in 2017. Federal agencies are flush with cash with the passage of the \$1.1 Trillion Omnibus Budget in December and Ohio is uniquely positioned through their Congressional Delegation to impact health care policy and spending issues. Finally, 2016 will see many opportunities for business among the state and local governments in Ohio for those who understand government procurement and how it ties into an integrated business development model targeting government and growing companies for new revenue. 2016 will be exciting and The Montrose Group, LLC is part of that excitement with the announcement of a new team member, Michelle Bretscher, who will serve clients in the marketing and communications field. Happy New Year!

Dave Robinson

Montrose Group, LLC Adds Marketing to Services,
Expands Team



Clients of the Montrose Group, LLC can now receive expert marketing and communications counsel and services from the firm thanks to the newest addition to our team. Michelle Bretscher, APR has joined the firm as director of client marketing. In her new role, Michelle will create and implement marketing and public relations programs to advance organizational goals tied to economic development, policy, and business development opportunities. Services will include [\[more...\]](#)

Statehouse Elections to Dominate 2016 Ohio Political Agenda

Ohio's 2016 public policy agenda will be dominated by politics as the Ohio General Assembly faces an upcoming Primary and General Election battle. The Presidential Election in Ohio will impact local Statehouse races. In general, Ohio Democrats see better results in local elections during Presidential Election years as voter turnout is higher-which has traditionally favored [\[more...\]](#)

Top Three 2016 Ohio Statehouse Battles Center on Money

Elections will not be the only thing going on in the Ohio Statehouse in 2016-Gov. Kasich and the Ohio General Assembly have an active legislative agenda. Three Ohio Statehouse issues are worthy of engagement in 2016: State of Ohio Capital Budget Bill; Electric company power plant regulatory decision; and 2020 Tax Committee. All three issues [\[more...\]](#)

7 Tips for a Better Blog

When it comes to content, all indicators suggest it's quality over quantity that matters. As more and more content is produced, breaking through becomes harder and harder. The numbers are staggering. According to a recent report from Content Marketing Institute, 86 percent of B2B marketers say that their organizations are using content marketing, and 70 [\[more...\]](#)

Health Policy Focus: Ohio Positioned for Health Care Congressional Leadership

Ohio is uniquely positioned to impact federal health care policy as well as to promote Ohio health care projects for targeted federal funding opportunities. Health care is a major economic driver in Ohio. Six of the 12 largest employers in the state are hospitals, and 600,000 Ohioans work in hospitals, constituting \$68.2 billion economic impact [\[more...\]](#)

Passage of Federal \$1.1 T Omnibus Spending and Tax Packages Primes Federal Program Pump

The Obama Administration has struggled to gain policy and budget consensus with the Congress ever since the Democrats lost control of both houses following the President's first two years in office. The on-going debate has been unpleasant to watch for all involved and, for the most part, has led to a lack of consensus among [\[more...\]](#)

Seven Questions Impacting 2016's Billion Dollar State & Local Government Procurement Opportunities

Local, state and federal governments offer the private sector billions in economic development opportunities. The state of Ohio alone offers \$1.5 billion in government purchasing or procurement opportunities not counting the \$2.5B in spending by the Ohio Department of Transportation (ODOT). Ohio's 4000 local government units such as counties, townships and municipalities offer even more [\[more...\]](#)

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Community Development Funding Opportunities Through USDA Webinar this Week [L] [SEP]

Small towns and rural areas often are underserved when it comes to accessing capital. Infrastructure, access to affordable housing, finding resources for community projects, and job creation are challenges many communities experience. USDA Rural Development is the federal agency tasked with assisting rural America. In fiscal year 2015 alone, we provided more than \$780 million in loans and grants to rural communities in Ohio. Our programs help businesses, communities, non-profits and individuals build capacity, create wealth and reduce poverty. USDA Rural Development specialists have vast experience identifying partners and then working together toward the betterment of Ohio's rural

communities. We look forward to discussing how our programs may be able to help your community. Webinars are free for [Heritage Ohio members](#). Read more [HERE](#)

Heritage Ohio is Seeking Presenters for the 2016 Annual Conference^[SEP]
Heritage Ohio's Annual Revitalization & Preservation Conference will be held October 10-12, 2016 in Cincinnati Ohio. Sessions will be 30, 60 or 75 minutes. The audience at the conference is expected to be 300. With concurrent sessions we would project 30-45 participants in an individual session. The audience is made up of: Main Street managers, Main Street board members, revitalization activists, municipal staff members, economic development professionals, historic preservation activists, developers, and preservation consultants. Session selections will be made by March 15, 2016. Selection criteria will be focused on downtown revitalization strategies, activity based sessions will be prioritized. Read more [HERE](#)

2016 Old House Fair Demonstrators Needed^[SEP]
Heritage Ohio's second Old House Fair will be held in May in Historic Downtown Medina and we are putting the out the call for demonstrators to submit session proposals. We are looking for artisans interested in teaching and/or demonstration on masonry, plaster, windows, stonework, painting, energy efficiency, and controlling moisture, just to name a few ideas. Read more [HERE](#)

Ohio Arts Council Hosting Planning and Budgeting for Fundraising Success Webinar

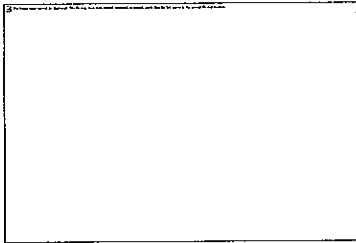
Does your organization build a fundraising budget based on data, or does your organization just "fill the gap?" You know, that magical number that is pre-determined by the finance team or others to cover the difference between projected expenses and other income streams? If you operate in a "fill the gap" environment, you're not alone. Join Kerri Mollard, Founder and CEO of Mollard Consulting, LLC for this informative webinar. Kerri will provide tools to help you create a budget forecast based on average gift size, donor retention rates, and grant probabilities. This webinar will provide timely information to help you solidify your future budgeting plans. Read more [HERE](#)

National Endowment for the Arts Announces Creativity Connects Grant
The Creativity Connects pilot grant opportunity is a dive into the unknown for the National Endowment for the Arts. The hope is that this initiative will expand the NEA's reach well past its traditional constituents and embrace businesses and organizations in non-arts sectors of the economy that have much to learn from as well as much to teach to artists and arts organizations in all disciplines. Read more [HERE](#)

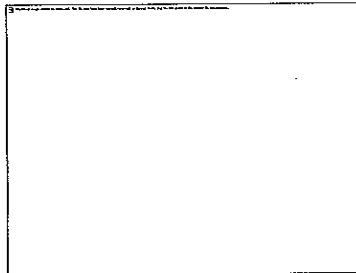
National Creative Placemaking Fund is Accepting Project Proposals
The National Creative Placemaking Fund is excited to announce that \$10.5 million is available to fund projects that work with artists and arts organizations help build stronger, healthier communities anywhere in the United States. Applications will need to be submitted by Wednesday, March 2, 2016 (register no later than Tuesday, February 16, 2016). Read more [HERE](#)

Playful City USA Seeking Community Applications
Playful City USA is a national recognition program that honors cities and towns across the country for taking bold steps that make it easy for all kids to get the balanced and active play they need to thrive. These communities are recognized for their efforts to create more playable, family-friendly cities. Read more [HERE](#)

Main Street Tip of the Week – 7 Ways to Appreciate Volunteers^[1]_{SEP}
One way to thank volunteers is to give them perspective about what they're doing. Sometimes volunteers are given mundane tasks. I've done some tasks that were all right, but I wasn't sure how they applied to the organization's mission. No matter what they're doing, let your volunteer know the larger context — not just what they're doing, but why they're doing it — and you'll show that you respect them and appreciate their work. Read more [HERE](#)



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**TIME FOR KY TO GET IN
CHARTER GAME.** Super Bowl 50
teams have endured a season-long
struggle to reach their ultimate
goal. Like these gridiron warriors,
advocates of school choice in
Kentucky have struggled and
persisted in their efforts to enact a
charter school law. For the sake of
the children, we hope they win.



And while football offers creative analogies, the future of our children is not
a game and losing cannot be an option. More on why Kentucky badly
needs school choice.

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UNIONS' POLITICAL SPENDING. Early spending of upwards of \$7M from both the AFT and NEA backing 2016 Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton is just the “tip of the iceberg,” reports *Politico*. Both unions came out early backing Hil, which explains why she’s been singing the same off-key tune as unions when it comes to charter schools.

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CAP LIFT. There’s a bi-partisan agreement in MA in support of lifting the cap on charter schools, as the Democratic Speaker and Republican Governor are both speaking out on behalf of the 37,000 children on charter school waitlists.



NC ACHIEVEMENT DISTRICT. Kudos to NC Rep. Rob Bryan for improving opportunities for kids with a proposed new Achievement District that would convert the state’s lowest performing schools into charter schools.

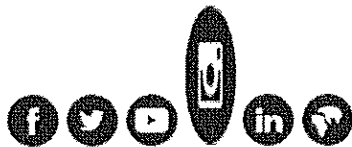
MORE CHOICES FOR INDIANA. The first-ranked Parent Power state is looking to expand choices for more working-class families with a bill that would extend the state’s voucher program to families making up to \$97,000 annually and allow funds to be used for other education-related expenses such as textbooks and tutoring, for example.

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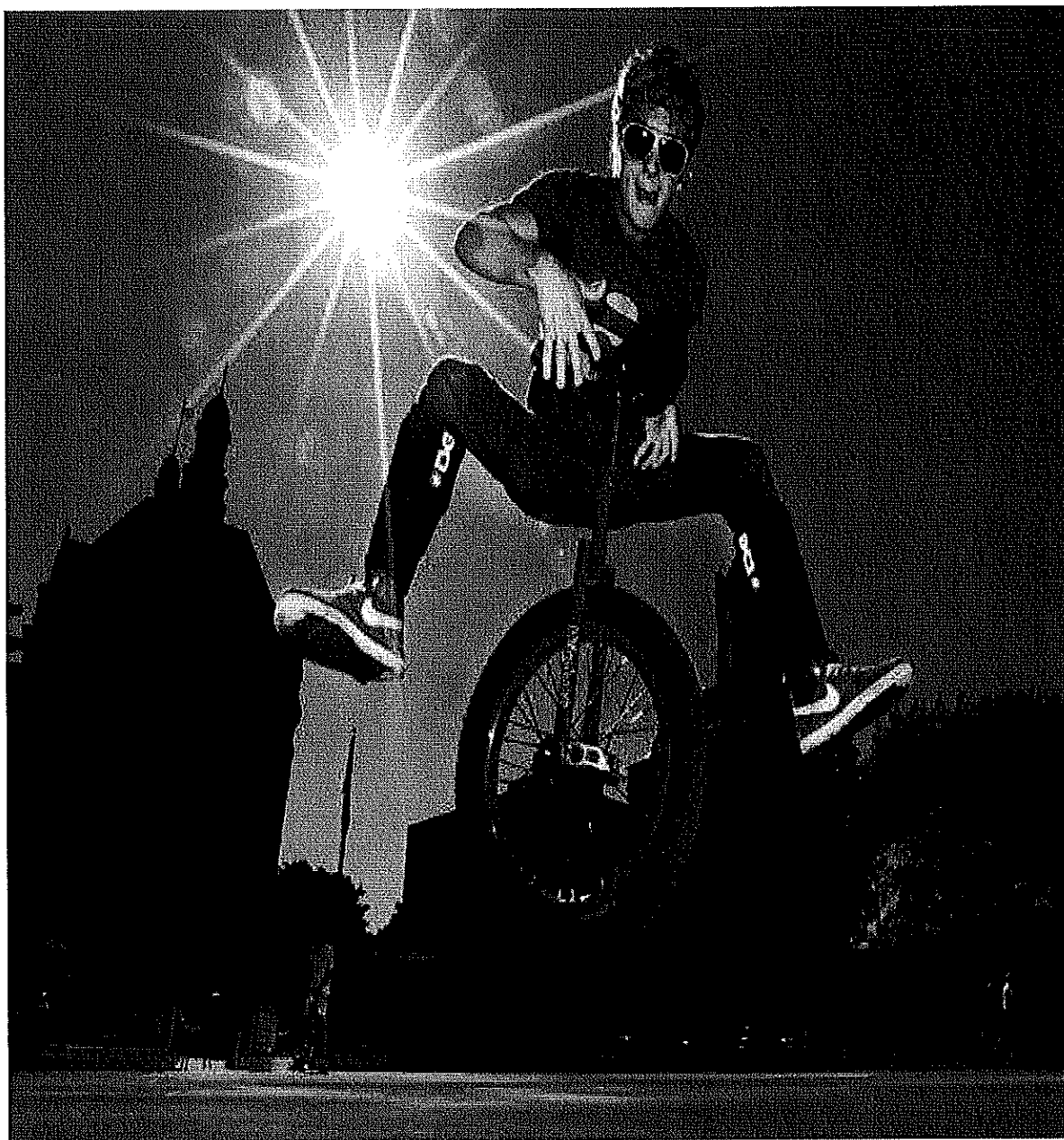


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DC IS NUMBER ONE. For the past 20 years the Center's [Charter School Laws Across The States Ranking & Scorecard](#) has

employed proven analysis to rank the nation's charter school laws by whether and how they do what they set out to — create the conditions for massive opportunities for students and families to choose among diverse schooling options.

DC has been [number 1](#) and we are pleased that this year, our colleagues at the [National Alliance](#) have similarly

recognized the superiority of a law which has a highly independent authorizer that is not micromanaged by state and local education agencies (though they try), provides for a high number of charters to open, funds its



DC has the strongest charter school law in the country largely due to their strong, independent authorizer the DC Public Charter School Board (DCPCSB). The DCPCSB holds charters to stringent performance targets and accountability metrics which it holds to do because of its autonomy. Despite the law, which says charters should receive nearly identical funding as their district peers, a recent lawsuit asserts that the district has shortchanged charters by millions for years. Charters also receive some per pupil facilities funding, but it has been difficult finding suitable space and funding is still not equitable.

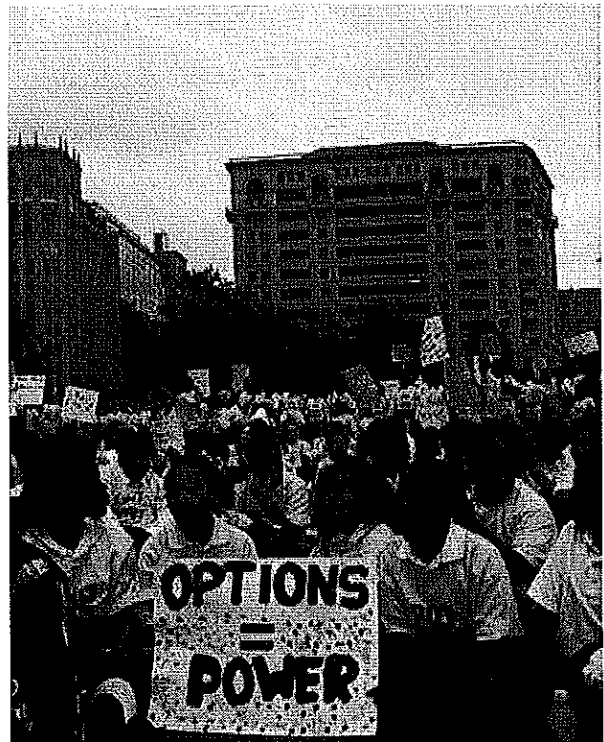
INDEPENDENT OR MULTIPLE AUTHORIZERS - YES	
APPROVAL	The DC Public Charter School Board (DCPCSB), an independent board, and the DC Board of Education are legally permitted to authorize. However, the DC Board relinquished its authority in 2006, and the DCPCSB assumed authority over their charter schools. The DC City Council may designate additional entities by enactment of a law, but has not done so yet. Some believe a little competition from additional authorizers, like universities, would guarantee DC's reign at the top for years to come.
APPEAL	None.
OPERATIONAL AUTONOMY	
STATE	Yes. There is a blanket waiver from all public school rules and regulations. OSSE, the Office of the State Superintendent of Education and the DCPCSB continue to impose additional paperwork and compliance requirements on schools, which has begun to compromise the charter's autonomy. Virtual schools are permitted. Law does not restrict management contracts with ESSs. However the charter application requires additional information about the SSP including past performance data, management success, financials, capacity for growth, etc. The DCPCSB removes any contract between a school and ESS over \$25,000.
LOCAL	Yes. Charters have control over most of their operations, including budgeting, operations and personnel. Charter schools are considered their own local education agency (LEA) except regarding special education where they can choose to be part of the District LEA.
TEACHER FREEDOM	Yes. Teachers may negotiate as a separate unit, or work independently. Employees transferring from a district school to a charter school are able to stay in the retirement system, if they choose. All other charter employees are not eligible.
NUMBER OF SCHOOLS ALLOWED	
CAP	Yes. Up to 20 charter schools per year may be authorized, unused charters roll over to the following year.

schools at over 95% plus facilities support, and as a result has transformed a city. This should be the model 20

While DC has a charter board, it is not a commission in the vein that other states are pondering. Speaking of which...

KENTUCKY & CHARTERS. Kentucky moves a step closer to having charter schools with lawmakers in both the House and Senate submitting bills. Legislation filed allows for a charter pilot program with only two schools allowed per year in two counties, Jefferson and Fayette. It also creates a charter school commission to approve and oversee schools. The Bluegrass State has tried for a charter law numerous times, so while it is good news that Kentucky is this much closer to charter schools, putting a law in place that mimics some of the nation's best charter school laws would have the potential to do more for more children.

MAKING SCHOLARSHIPS AS IMPACTFUL AS CHARTERS. The DC Opportunity Scholarship Program has been helping very low-income students for over a decade, with outstanding results. So why wouldn't John B. King, Jr., Education Secretary nominee, be in support of using \$35 million in carry-over funds to help 4,000 more students access an education that will set them up for success? That's what Senator Tim Scott pondered at King's hearing two weeks ago. King's second hearing



regarding his Education Secretary nomination takes place tomorrow, March 9.

UNION'S MISPLACED AGENDA. Hillary Clinton, backed by both the AFT and NEA, danced around Anderson Cooper's question during Sunday's Democratic debate about whether unions protect bad teachers. She said "a lot of people have been blaming and scapegoating teachers because they don't want to put money into the school system." When you take away the spin from the status quo however, 67 percent of teachers are interested in workforce reforms according to AAE's latest survey. Union endorsements explain Hil's backflip on charter schools, which she alternatively supported in 1998, saying charter schools were a good way of "bringing teachers, parents and communities together." One of the union's latest misguided attacks on charter schools is in Michigan, where AFT President Randi Weingarten is blaming the alternative public schools for Detroit's financial and academic woes.

At SXSW? Is innovation, freedom, flexibility and opportunity at the heart of the hundreds of panels and discussions going on? If not, now's your chance to redirect the SXSW agenda to capture the critical intersection of ed tech in ed reform. Without looser school boundaries and rules, education innovation cannot thrive. Without consumer choice, there's ultimately no buy-in. To read up on or refresh your mind on what it's all about, read Ted Kolderie's book *The Split Screen Strategy: How to Turn Education Into a Self-Improving System*.

COMING SOON. Time for a reboot – CER introduces EDREFORM TEN-POINT-O. Because every effort we undertake for kids must start at 10.

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April 11, 2016

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See the legislation we're tracking and find out how it could affect your business.

We're All For...

MAKING RULES COMPLIANCE EASIER FOR SMALL BUSINESSES

New legislation aimed at streamlining the agency rule-making process was just introduced, and the Ohio Small Business Council was a driving force behind its launch. **Follow the rules.**

Click here to see the bills we are following.

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All of our blog posts have been moved to our new blog website at **www.allforohio.com**. Be sure to read all of our blog posts, including the latest:

- **Recap: 2016 Chamber Day at the Capitol**
- **Federal Legislation Introduced to Stop DOL's Misguided Proposed OT Regulation**

IS GOVERNMENT GETTING IN YOUR WAY?

Do you have an issue with how a state law or rule is impacting your business? **Let us know.**
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POLL QUESTION OF THE WEEK:

Has your business ever been negatively affected by a state rule or regulation? **Click here to tell us what you think.**

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To: Rep48

Subject: Tax inequity, job growth and a Medicaid setback: News from Policy Matters

Policy Matters Ohio

A roundup of happenings at Policy Matters Ohio.....

Saturday night live - When the Federal Reserve Bank raises interest rates, it often means hiring goes down, wages grow more slowly and unemployment goes up. There are times when doing so still makes sense, but is now one of them? Come to an event next Saturday night (yes, we know) to tell a top decision-maker at the Federal Reserve what you think about them putting the brakes on hiring and wage growth right now.



Upside down tax system - Ohioans in the bottom fifth of the income scale last year paid about twice the share of their income in state and local taxes as the richest 1 percent. That cold, hard fact provided by the Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy shows that the wealthiest Ohioans are not paying enough to support public services. Our Wendy Patton highlighted the inequity in a recent blog post. Wendy noted the tax system is already stacked against low- and middle-income people and would become even more so under plans to turn the state income tax into a flat tax.

A public health threat - The so-called "Healthy Ohio" plan - our lawmakers' attempt to impose premiums on more than 1.2 million low-income adults enrolled in Medicaid - would be a blow to both patients and medical providers that have benefitted under Medicaid expansion. Wendy Patton and many other advocates are urging the federal government to deny Ohio's request to change the Medicaid rules. Wendy testified to a Medicaid advisory

panel this month that imposing premiums and penalties for those who miss payments would cause thousands to lose their health care and hurt the financial stability of hospitals.

Employment picture brightens - Ohio is off to a fairly strong 2016 in job growth but we still lag the nation in job creation. Ohio's 12-month job growth rate of 1.8 percent was only slightly below the U.S. average of 2 percent, according to the latest report by Hannah Halbert. But since the official start of the recession in December 2007, Ohio has grown by less than half of the national average of 3.9 percent. The bottom line is our tax and budget policies have not created promised job growth, Hannah said.

Tax breaks run amok - Research Director Zach Schiller's penchant for sniffing out dubious tax breaks led him to this stinker: A bill that would exempt the sale of collector coins and precious metals from state sales tax. Even Gov. Kasich said there's no justification for such preferential treatment (Kasich vetoed a similar provision in the 2013 budget bill). Zach, in testimony, called on lawmakers to ditch the legislation, which would cost the state millions in revenue needed for public services.

Welcome aboard! - We are thrilled to have Daniel Ortiz join the Policy Matters team as our new outreach coordinator. Daniel is originally from Lorain, Ohio, and holds a bachelor's degree in religion and Latin American studies from Oberlin College. He spent the better part of 11 years working on campaigns and teaching, and brings phenomenal passion for social justice and a diverse set of skills to Policy Matters.



Spreading the message - Our Executive Director Amy Hanauer has been invited to lead discussion on public policy and advocacy at the Ohio Nonprofit Conference and Excellence Awards May 3 in Columbus. Amy will lead a session on the role of public policy in creating the kind of state nonprofits need to succeed.

In the news - Our Hannah Halbert's in-depth report on the collapse of Ohio's GED system inspired a hard-hitting Cleveland.com op-ed linking the state's GED debacle to Cleveland's abysmal ranking as the most economically distressed big city in the nation.... An Akron Beacon Journal editorial called out Ohio lawmakers for failing to scrutinize close to \$9 billion in tax breaks, based on the work of our Zach Schiller. "Republicans in charge at the Statehouse are not as vigilant in protecting taxpayer money as they like to contend," the editorial said... Wendy Patton's analysis of proposed Medicaid changes drew attention from Dayton Daily News and The Columbus Dispatch, which noted that thousands of low-income Ohioans could lose health care under the misguided proposal.

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ALZHEIMER'S
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Dear Kirk,

I'm thrilled to announce that you have another **exciting opportunity to double your impact** in the fight against Alzheimer's disease. In recognition of Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month, a foundation with a long history of support for the Alzheimer's Association has generously agreed to donate \$100,000 to fund research and local awareness if we can **raise that same amount by June 30.**

**Make DOUBLE the
impact during
Alzheimer's & Brain
Awareness Month**

\$35 → \$70

\$60 → \$120

\$120 → \$240

DONATE NOW

When you take advantage of this limited-time Matching Gift Challenge, your **tax-deductible donation** of \$35 can become \$70 — or your especially generous gift of \$60 can become \$120. Any amount you give can go twice as far to help advance innovative research projects and

provide care and support for the more than 5 million people in the United States living with Alzheimer's and their over 15 million caregivers.

Your support today will be especially meaningful, as June is Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month. It's common knowledge that Alzheimer's disease robs people of their ability to remember, but other truths about the disease remain unknown. For instance, many people are unaware that:

- **Alzheimer's is a fatal disease** — there are no survivors. From 2000-2013, the number of Alzheimer's deaths increased 71 percent, while deaths from other major diseases decreased.
- **This disease is more than memory loss** — Alzheimer's affects people in different ways, and each person will experience symptoms and progress through the stages of the disease differently.
- **Early diagnosis matters.** Early detection and diagnosis allows people to access available treatments, build a care team, participate in support services and enroll in clinical trials.

That's why, throughout the month of June, the Alzheimer's Association is focusing on uncovering the critical truths about Alzheimer's and other dementias, while working to educate the public on the warning signs, the difference between Alzheimer's and typical aging, and the power of early detection.

Our vision is a world without Alzheimer's. Please help us get there with a generous gift during Alzheimer's & Brain Awareness Month that can have twice the impact on our fight against this disease. Thank you.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Donna McCullough". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Donna McCullough

Chief Development Officer



P.S. I hope we can count on you to participate in this **limited-time Matching Gift Challenge**.
Your donation can go twice as far before June 30 — so please give today.

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Subject: You're Invited! INPLACE - NEA Artist Discussion
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Where: McDonough Museum of Art
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Time: 1:00 p.m.

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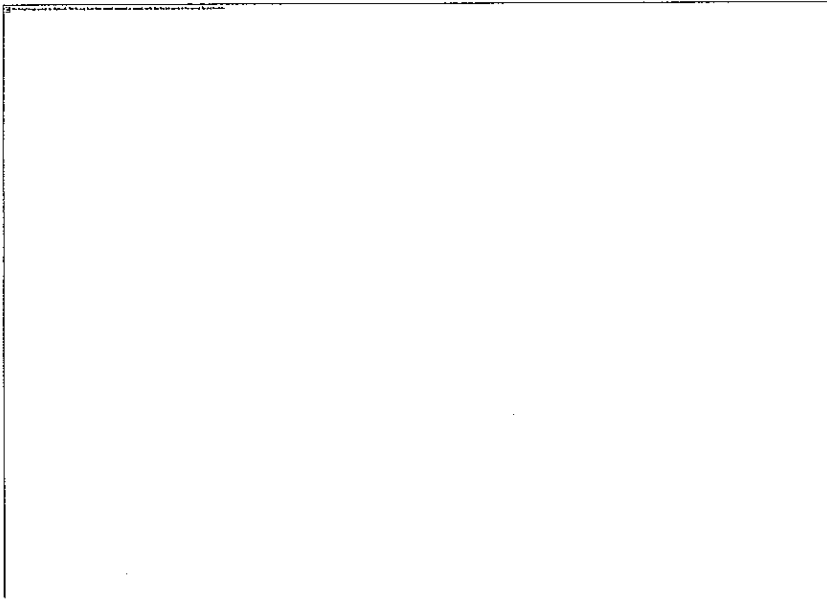
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The *INPLACE* Project Support Group

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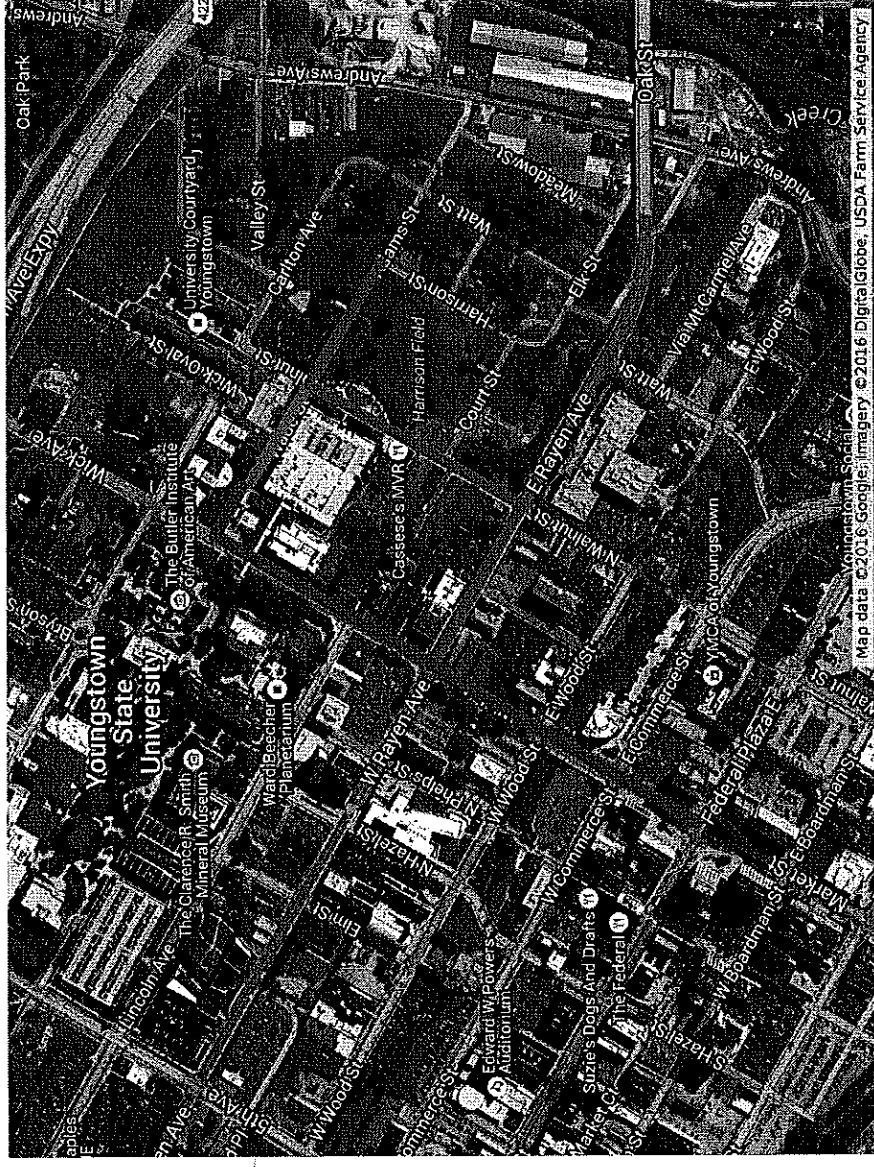
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From: Economic Action Group
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Subject: You're Invited! INPLACE - NEA Artist Discussion
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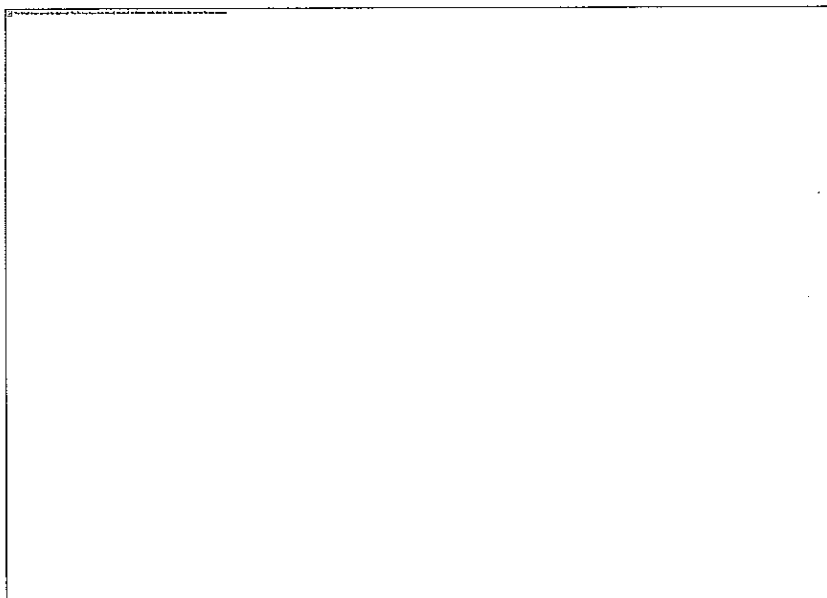
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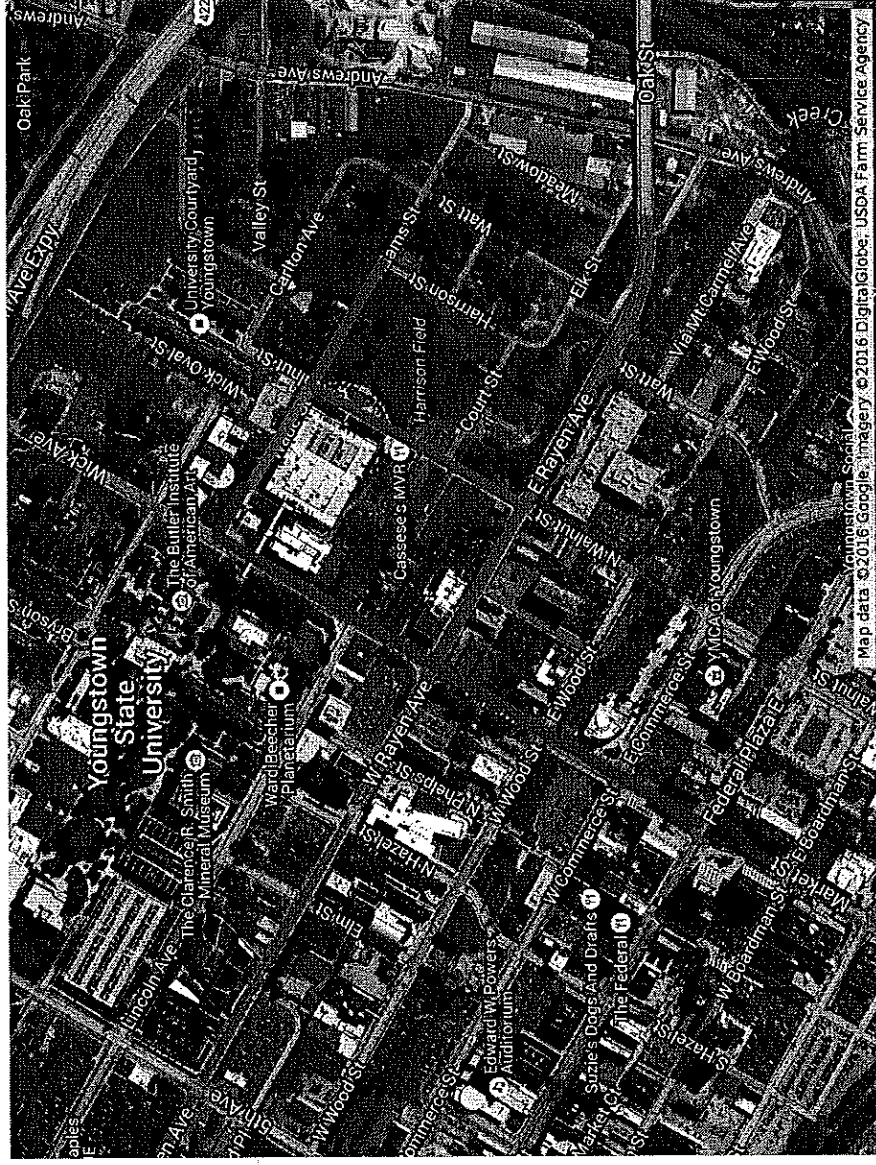
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From: Youngstown EAG
Sent: Wednesday, July 6, 2016 2:22 PM
Subject: YOU'RE INVITED: INPLACE - NEA Artist Discussion/CUDC Guest Lecture
Attachments: McDonough .pdf

Greetings everyone!

We would like to invite you to be a part of **two** exciting conversations tomorrow.

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ALSO, you're invited to a CUDC Guest Lecture later tomorrow evening on "Historic Preservation and Urban Regeneration" by Terry Schwarz, Director, Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative and member of the NEA *INPLACE* Project Support Group.

What: Historic Preservation and Urban Regeneration by Terry Schwarz
When: Thursday, July 7th
Where: McDonough Museum of Art
Address: 525 Wick Avenue
Time: 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

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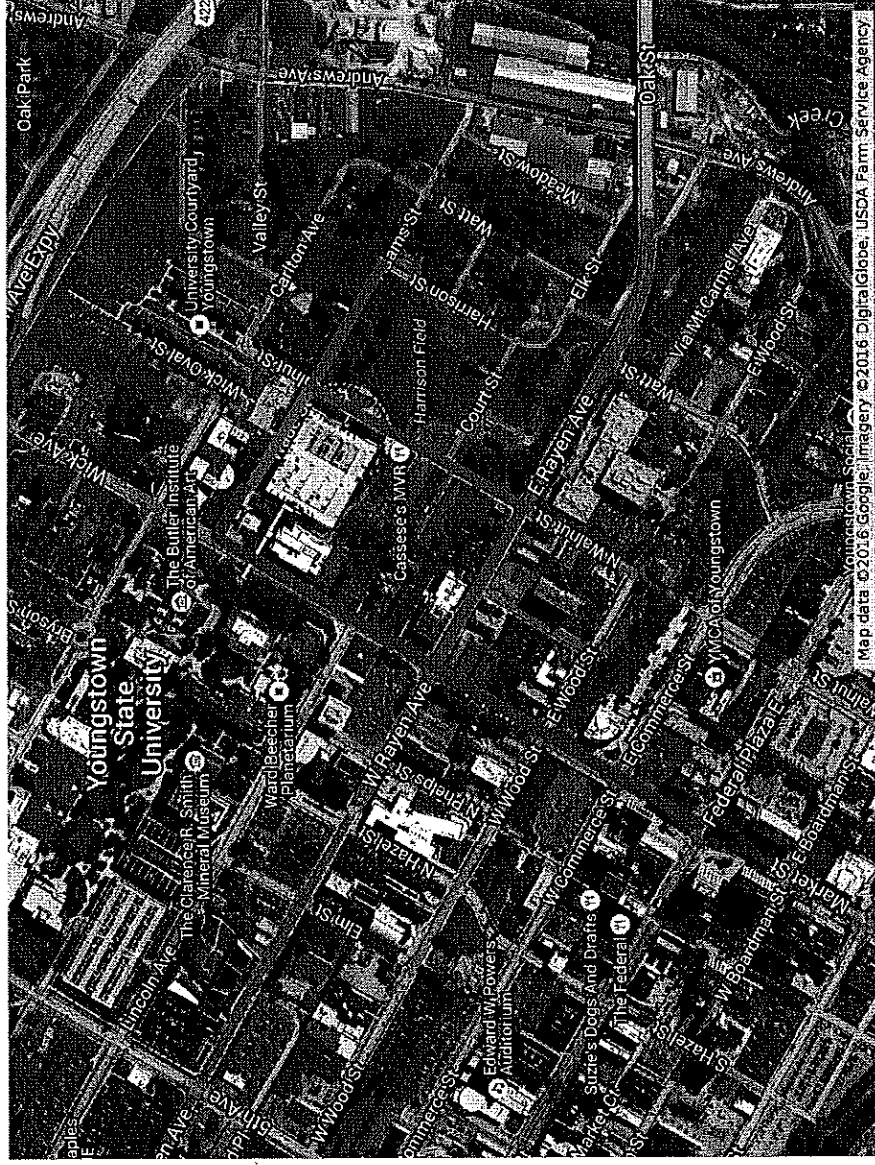
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From: Youngstown EAG

Sent: Tuesday, July 12, 2016 12:24 PM

Subject: YOU'RE INVITED: Economic Action Group Meeting #29

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Greetings EAG!

Below, please see meeting details and upcoming community events. In preparation for our monthly meeting, please RSV to either meeting by replying to this e-mail at your earliest convenience.

Economic Action Group Meeting # 29

Date: July 19, 2016

Time: 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Where: McDonough Museum of Art

Address: 525 Wick Avenue (Parking available, see attached map)

Agenda Highlights: *Urban Design for Cold and Variable Climates* - David Jurca, Associate Director of the Cleveland Urban Design Collaborative

UPCOMING COMMUNITY EVENTS

/NPLACE - The first public meeting regarding the recent National Endowment of the Arts (NEA) Our Town grant, will be held July 19th from 5 - 7:00 p.m. at the Youngstown Business Incubator located at 241 W. Federal Street.

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- For more information about /NPLACE, please visit the website at www.eagyo.org/inplace

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We look forward to seeing you next week!

All the best,

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From: Youngstown EAG
Sent: Friday, July 15, 2016 10:17 AM
Subject: REMINDER TO RSVP: Economic Action Group Meeting #29

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Subject: Last Chance to RSVP: Economic Action Group Meeting #29/INPLACE
Reminder
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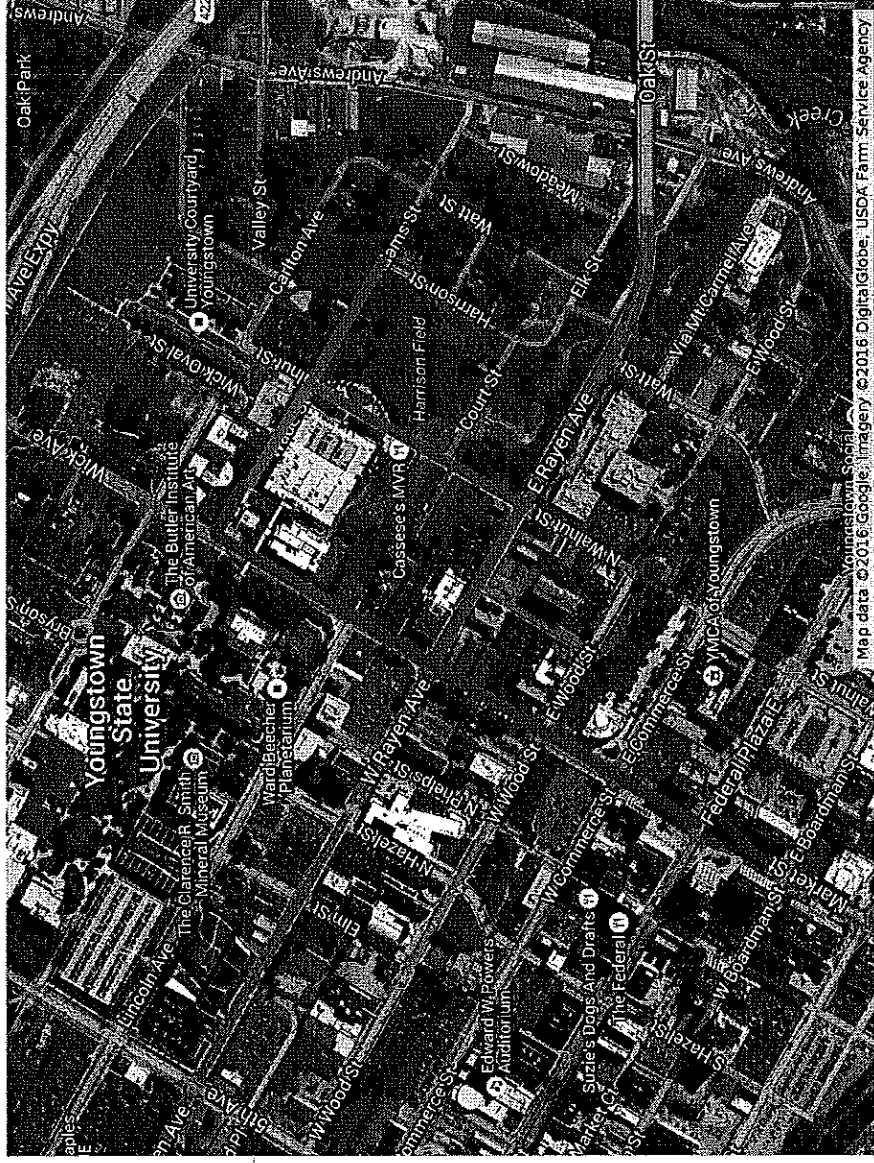
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464

jobs created

843

jobs retained

\$103MM

new client investment

\$33MM

cost savings

\$76MM

retained sales

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new sales

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Ohio 5 Key Focal Areas

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Positioning Ohio to capture both near-term and next generation commercial aircraft supply chain opportunities. [Read More](#)



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Dave Wickelhaus

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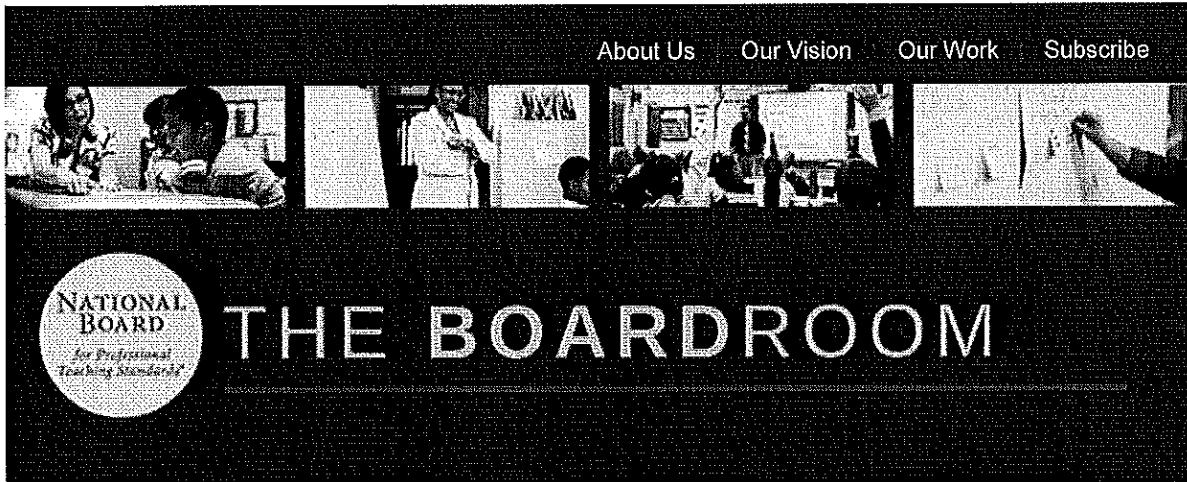


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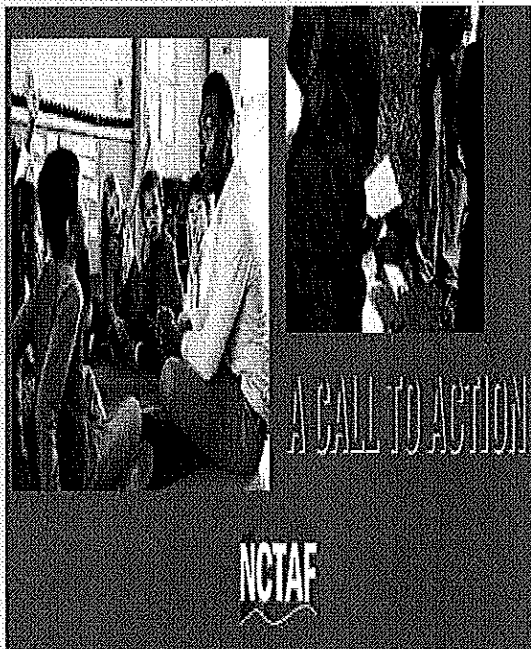
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Kirk,

It's that time of the year again! Depending on where you live, the school year has or will soon begin. The end of summer is the start of a familiar cycle - you're rejuvenated thanks to summer learning, projects and vacations. Teachers and their students from coast to coast feel a special energy, and experience nerves and high hopes for what awaits them. Those high hopes are present at the National Board, too, as more than 12,000 candidates continue their pursuit of "NBCT." This issue of *The Boardroom* focuses on what's happened this summer, what lies ahead, opportunities and a renewed focus on practical ideas for teachers.

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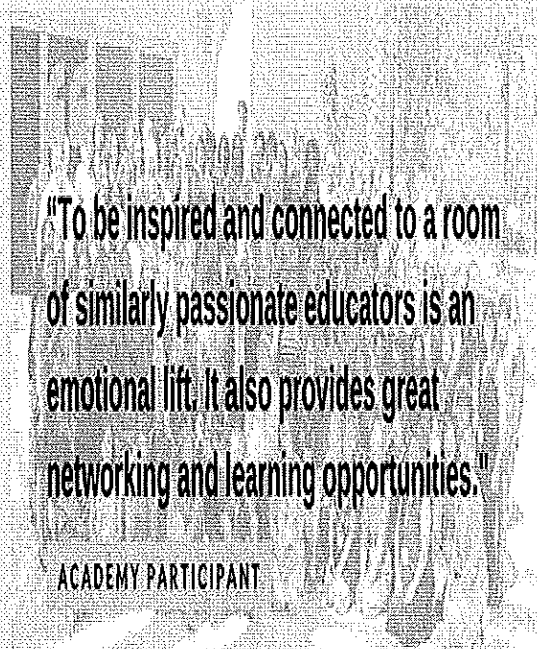
BUILDING THE CONTINUUM



#WhatMattersNow

Last week the National Commission on Teaching and America's Future (NCTAF) released "What Matters Now," which argues that while there have been significant improvements in education since the release of their seminal report "What Matters Most" 20 years ago, the progress has been uneven. They offer recommendations for systemic change in states and districts, which includes encouraging teacher-led professional learning aligned with professional teaching standards. Geneviève DeBose, NBCT, gave the keynote address at the release event.

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Leveraging Leadership and Inspiring Action

The 2016 National Board Academy was held in Las Vegas, Nevada from July 10-12. This annual event aims to engage stakeholder collaboration, provide a platform to share ideas and create a space to build plans to bring accomplished teaching and National Board Certification to scale. This year's theme was "Leveraging Leadership and Inspiring Action." Of the 184 attendees, 137 were NBCTs from 36 states across the nation. Participants connected with peers to learn more about innovative models and build action-oriented team plans for the 2016-2017 school year.

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IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Accomplished Teachers Win Award for Teaching Excellence

Next February, 43 educators from across the country will receive the NEA Foundation's California

Casualty Award for Teaching Excellence. The prestigious award is given to educators for their dedication to the profession, community engagement, professional development, attention to diversity and advocacy for fellow educators. Twelve of the award recipients are NBCTs.

Agents for Learning

In late July, 55 teachers, including 17 NBCTs, gathered in downtown Chicago as part of the Agents for Learning Competition. Twelve teams of teachers from across the country discussed the best ways states and districts can invest their ESSA funds to support professional learning. The presentations can serve as

resources as you advocate in your own state and district for the best ways to invest in professional learning. Check out our ESSA page for additional resources.



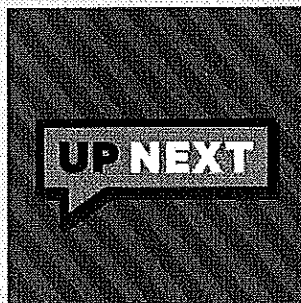
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How to Kick Off the School Year as a Rookie (or a Mentor)

New teacher orientation often leaves out the top subject on teachers' minds: The first day of school, says Roxanne Elden, NBCT. That's why she created *The School Year Starter Kit* a free, three-day email series to help newbies cut through information overload and focus on the few, basic things that will most help them prepare for their first day. The kit also offers much-needed reinforcement for those serving as mentors for beginning teachers.



Free college support - through texts to students

First Lady Michelle Obama recently launched Up Next, Better Make Room's text messaging campaign that gives students and families free personalized support on all things college - college search and application, federal student aid and even student loan repayment. The campaign is evidence-based and low-cost, and research has shown that it can significantly increase students' college enrollment and persistence - if students sign up. This is where you come in. Encourage your students to sign up! All they have to do is text "college" to 44044.

SIGN UP

WHAT WE'RE READING

There's No Time to Lose

The National Conference of State Legislatures recently released "[No Time to Lose: How to Build a World-Class Education System State by State](#)." The report is the result of an 18-month study by a bipartisan group of 28 legislators and legislative staff. Marc Tucker, President and CEO of the National Center on Education and the Economy, summarizes the report in this [blog post](#).

Looking Ahead to the 2016 Election

Wondering where the presidential nominees stand on education? Education Week has got you covered. Here are two recent articles on [education priorities](#) and [potential US Secretary of Education](#) picks of Democratic nominee, Hillary Clinton, and Republican nominee, Donald Trump.

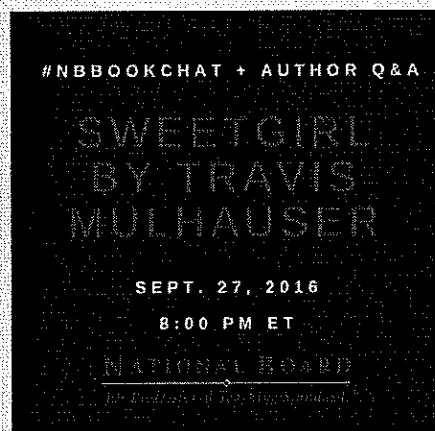
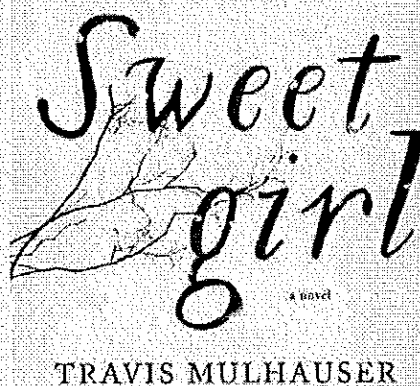
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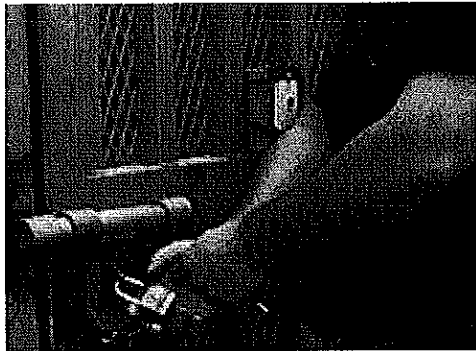
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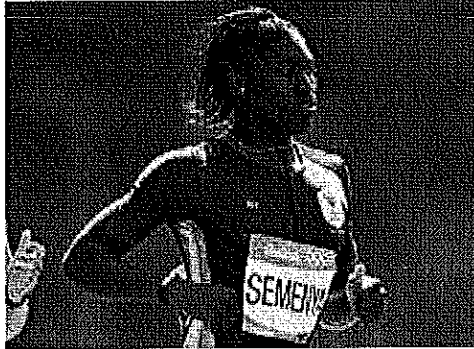
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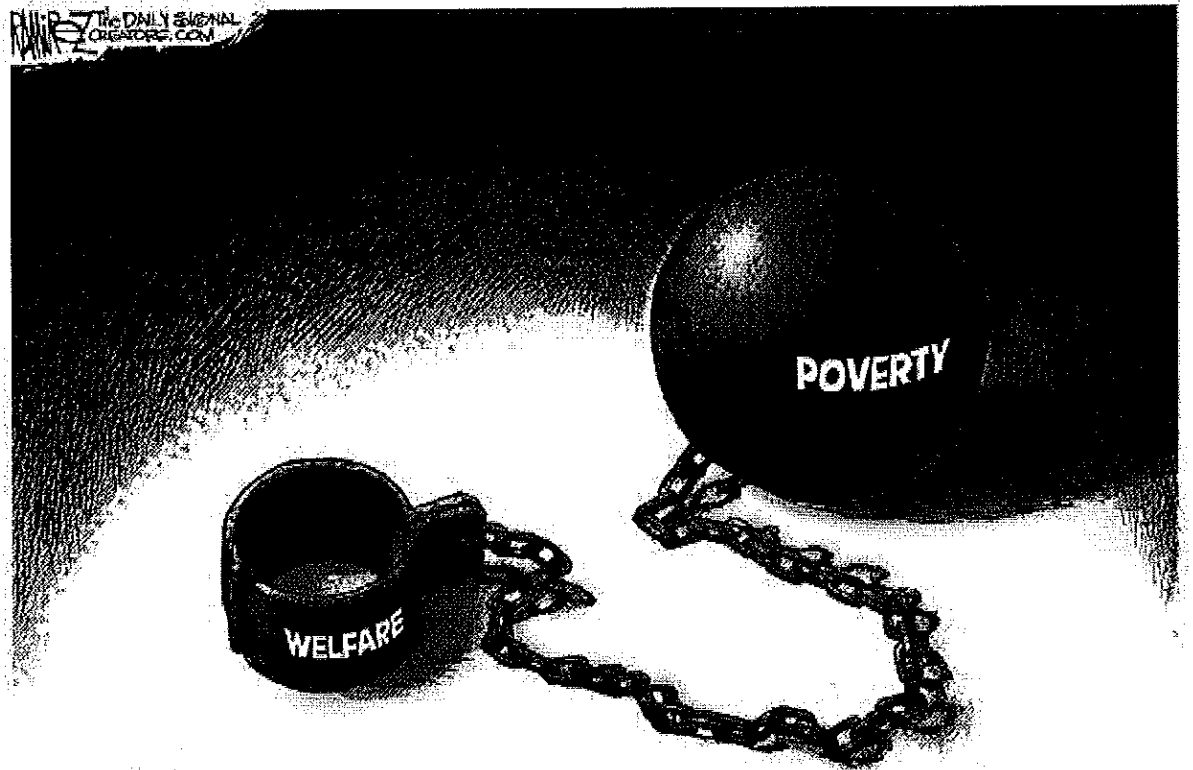
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Opponents of charters are using Oliver segment to sharpen attacks

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A Letter to John Oliver from Appletree Charter Schools Founder Jack McCarthy:

I'm a fan of the show and I thought your report on charter schools was devastating. It would also be reasonable for your team to report on the ineptitude, corruption and self-dealing that takes place in public schools that operate under the district governance and finance model. That is, after all, what led to the creation of charter schools in the first place.

You may not be aware — in this year of grotesque, daily, pathological lying at the highest levels of our political discourse — how your report is being used as a cudgel against thousands of courageous, mission-driven educators dedicated to improving the lives and outcomes of our most disadvantaged children. Their work is hard enough. It doesn't have to be disparaged further in such a ham-handed, easily-manipulated fashion.



Have your staff explore how your report is being used in a nation-wide war against charter schools. If this is what you intended, then I'm not a fan any longer. If this is not what you intended, make it right.

I hope you will take the opportunity to examine the ineptitude, corruption and self-dealing of some of the leaders of the AFT and NEA.

In Washington, DC, several years ago, the leader of the Washington Teachers Union was sent to jail for stealing members' dues, as detailed in this Washington Post report. There is a robust amount of material to work with. Don't limit it to charters because most are making a tremendous difference in the lives of children. The ones that don't, close. And that's a good thing.

Sincerely,

Jack McCarthy

President and CEO of Appletree Early Learning Public Charter School

Jack McCarthy is a pioneer in the charter school field, having helped influence the development of the Massachusetts charter sector before contributing to its growth in Washington, DC. Since 1995, under his leadership, AppleTree Early Learning has grown to serve 640 children at seven sites throughout Washington, DC with countless more on waiting lists. AppleTree Institute won a \$5 million US Department of Education Investing in Innovation ("i3") development grant for Every Child Ready in 2010.

Please join those who are taking time to share their views with John Oliver by writing him at management@avalonuk.com.

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On Our Radar: *News from Greater Ohio Policy Center*

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At Greater Ohio Policy Center, we monitor the news daily to learn more about the sustainable growth initiatives and related developments in our state and beyond that affect Ohio. Below are articles that caught our attention over the last few weeks, and we thought they might interest you as well. If you have an article you would like to share with us, please email it to Alex Highley at ahighley@greaterohio.org.

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Thanks,
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GOPC in the News

Columbus Landmarks names 4 finalists for urban design award

The Columbus Landmarks Foundation has named finalists for its annual urban design award.

Columbus Business First - 8/16/2016

Reporter **Evan Weese**

Cities

Dayton funds downtown music venue, real estate

The city of Dayton has committed \$1 million to help design and construct an outdoor music venue that officials say will spur new development in a sleepy part of downtown.

Dayton Daily News - 8/18/2016

Reporter **Cornelius Frolik**

Post-RNC, Cleveland's 'new normal' is seeing big picture

Now that they can look back on an event that left 50,000 people generally impressed with Cleveland, some of the leaders of the effort to put on the Republican National Convention are looking ahead.

Crains Cleveland Business - 8/23/2016

Reporter **Jay Miller**

The Benefits of Helping Struggling Cities

For financially distressed municipalities, it's good to be in a state that intervenes, according to a new study.

Governing - 8/11/2016

Reporter **Liz Farmer**

Economic & Workforce Development

**Can immigrants help spur economic growth in
Cleveland area?**

CLEVELAND, Ohio – Northeast Ohio doesn't attract many immigrants, but the immigrants who settle here tend to be educated.

Cleveland Plain Dealer - 8/22/2016

P&G moving 850 jobs Downtown

Procter & Gamble is relocating 850 workers to Downtown Cincinnati from its Winton Hills campus about 10 miles away.

Cincinnati Enquirer - 8/13/2016

Reporter **Bowdeya Tweh**

Toledo struggles to attract, keep young professionals

From more upscale coffee houses to a booming downtown scene built up around its once-decrepit warehouse district, Toledo continues to show signs of becoming more cool, hip, and attractive to college-educated young people.

Toledo Blade - 8/21/2016

Reporter **Tom Henry and Gabby Deutch**

Visitor spending set record for Columbus in 2015

Columbus' success at attracting visitors last year led to record spending and city lodging-tax revenue, according to data being announced today by convention and visitors bureau Experience Columbus and the Greater Columbus Sports Commission.

Columbus Dispatch - 8/24/2016

Reporter **Marla Matzer Rose**

Housing & Urban Revitalization

East Main property owners might unite to fund improvements

Columbus Dispatch - 8/22/2016

Reporter **Mark Ferenchik**

Demolition work is ahead in Conneaut

CONNEAUT — Demolition could begin very soon on a handful of blighted properties in Conneaut, officials said.

Ashtabula Star Beacon - 8/22/2016

Reporter **Mark Todd**

Land bank considers targeting villages

LANCASTER — At least two dozen abandoned homes will be targeted for demolition now that the Fairfield County Land Reutilization Corp. has received additional federal funds to continue its work.

Lancaster Eagle Gazette - 8/15/2016

Reporter **Spencer Remoquillo**

Local Government

Fairborn plan details \$160 million in improvements

FAIRBORN — Fairborn officials are debating the approval of a five-year capital improvement plan that would call for

an estimated \$160.6 million in infrastructure improvements across the city.

Dayton Daily News - 8/20/2016

Reporter **Will Garbe**

How diversity helps an Akron area in transition

Look at the roster of elected officeholders in Summit County, and you will find women in four of the six positions. The circumstances surrounding Ilene Shapiro moving into the executive's office were heart-breaking, Russ Pry dying suddenly, on the eve of the popular and effective leader seeking what would have been his final term. That doesn't change the history made. Shapiro is the first woman to hold the post in the 35 years of the county charter.

Akron Beacon Journal - 8/21/2016

WRPA Makes Case for Brownfield Cleanup Funds

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio — Officials of the Western Reserve Port Authority and its economic development division will use a newly completed study to plead for more resources to remediate brownfields in the region.

Youngstown Business Journal - 8/17/2016

Reporter **George Nelson**

Taxation

Casino tax revenue keeps flowing to county, school, city coffers

It's been four years since area counties and school districts began to receive distributions of tax revenues from Ohio's four casinos.

Lorain Morning Journal - 8/15/2016

Reporter **David Glassler**

Federal change will cost Clark County \$3 million
Federal changes will result in Clark County losing \$3 million — more than 12 percent of its \$23.5 million in annual sales tax revenue — when the state stops collecting sales taxes from certain health care organizations.

Dayton Daily News - 8/22/2016

Transportation

Americans Really Want More Infrastructure Spending

Decaying highways, pipes, and railroads aren't only top-of-mind for the average CityLab reader—nearly half of registered American voters believe that the state of their country's infrastructure has deteriorated in the last five years, according to a national poll conducted in mid-June by the Association of Equipment Manufacturers.

City Lab – 8/15/2016

Reporter **Laura Bliss**

How NKY is using public transit to boost economic development

In a simpler time, public transportation connected

communities by moving residents from Point A to Point B quickly and cheaply.

NKY Thrives – 8/24/2016

Reporter **John Fox**

COTA looks to renew sales tax

Public transportation in Columbus is in a state of transition. Voters will have to decide in November if they like the direction it's going.

Columbus Dispatch - 8/15/2016

Reporter **Rick Rouan**

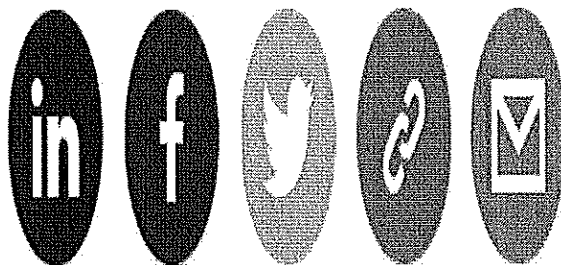
Ohio's beleaguered public transit is on the edge of real financial crisis with sales tax changes

Ohio's public transit is on the edge of a financial disaster as a statewide tax nears its end.

Cleveland Plain Dealer – 8/12/2016

Reporter **Ginger Christ**





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Webinar reminders, upcoming Riffe Gallery workshops,
Governor's Awards nominations, #CreativityConnects, and more.

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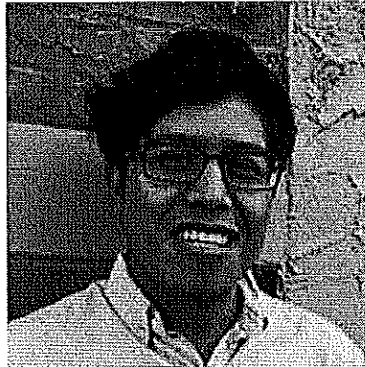
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It has certainly been an active September at the Ohio Arts Council! While the weather may be holding onto summer, our days feel fresh with the "back-to-school" spirit that fall so often brings. This month alone, your OAC staff have been taking part in a variety of professional learning opportunities on topics such as accessibility, inclusion, leadership, and more. Just as we encourage our artists, arts organizations, and arts education teams to participate in their own professional development, we do the same – all with a goal to better serve you, your organizations, and better support the arts in Ohio. [Keep reading for more on the latest](#)



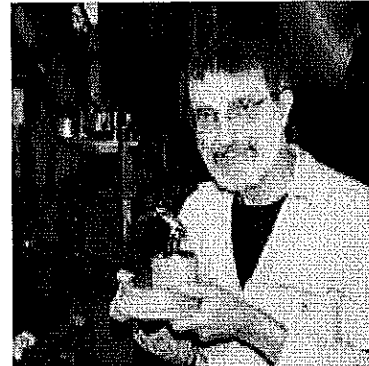
research from NEA Chairman Jane Chu (pictured above), our September reflections, and what October has in store.



Creative Spotlight on Social Impact Investing | Part I

"It really opens up the spectrum on how non-profit organizations can operate with more creative and strategic programing," David Cuatlacuatl, Sofia Quintero Arts and Cultural Center in Toledo.

As part of an ongoing blog series between the Ohio Arts Council and The Wells Foundation, **Creative Spotlight on Social Impact Investing** will highlight nonprofit leaders and organizations who are taking advantage of a new funding opportunity called social impact



Welcome Your 2016 Ohio Heritage Fellows

Barry Wheeler of Ashland, Ohio, was awarded the heritage fellowship for Material Culture. He learned his art form through generations of blacksmiths in his family.



investing. Patrick Westerlund breaks it down for us and interviews OAC scholarship recipient David in our first post.

[Get the full story here.](#)

[Elena Hernandez](#) received the award for Community Leadership for her contribution to the Toledo area through Mexican folkloric dance.

Don't forget to join us **TODAY** at 1:30 p.m. for a free webinar: [Lions, Tigers, and Boards...Oh My!](#) Christy Farnbauch, OAC innovation and engagement director, will share best practices and resources created from her work with nonprofit boards. There's still time to [register online](#).

OCTOBER WEBINAR | [Social Media on a Shoestring: Doing a Lot with a Little](#)



Every artist or arts organization today needs a strong social media identity. Do you struggle to cultivate an effective online presence when you are strapped for time, money, and know-how? In this webinar, Lindsay Fullerton, Ph.D., of New Median Consulting, will share some easy ways to make a big impact through social media. You will learn how to identify your social media goals, develop strategies to make the most of your content, and integrate social media into your daily work routine. [Learn more and register online.](#)

Governor's Awards

OHIO ARTS COUNCIL

The Governor's Awards for the Arts celebrate artistic excellence, and the creative and philanthropic spirit that thrives in the state of Ohio. All nominations are accepted online. **The deadline to submit a nomination is Monday, October 24, at 5 p.m.**

READ THE HOW-TO BLOG POST

SAVE THE DATE | Arts Day & Governor's Awards for the Arts in Ohio will take place Wednesday, May 17, 2017. Stay tuned for more details. Join the celebration with **#OHGovAwards17**.



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Creativity Connects: Trends and Conditions Affecting U.S. Artists is a new report from the National Endowment for the Arts examining the values and needs of artists. Make sure you explore 'Bright Spots' an [interactive graphic on the NEA website](#).

Ohio's full-time public servants are invited to showcase their artistic talents outside the 9-to-5 in the [Ohio Arts Council's Riffe Gallery](#) juried exhibition *After Hours: Artwork by State of Ohio Employees*.

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**Artwork by
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Oct. 24: Deadline to Submit a 2017

Governor's Award Nomination:

oac.ohio.gov/GovernorsAwards/Nominate

Oct. 26: Board Meeting

October is National Arts & Humanities Month.

Happening in the OAC Riffe Gallery

TODAY: Excavating Stories Through Creative Writing w/ Michael London

Oct. 1: Family Workshop | Squeaky Clean

Image Transfer w/ Stephen Takacs

Earthy Delights on view until October 9.

WE'VE GOT FREDDIE AND JULIA TO THE OAC FAMILY!



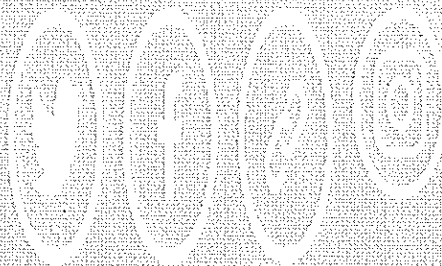
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Freddie's "I'm a Monkey" book (Freddie's "I'm a Monkey" book) would be awarded on August 26.



We hope you're helping these two Ohio artists become more confident in their art. We're proud to be a part of their journey.



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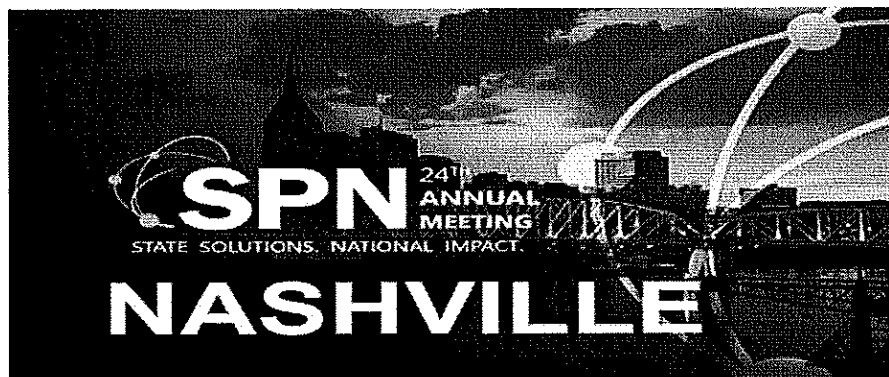


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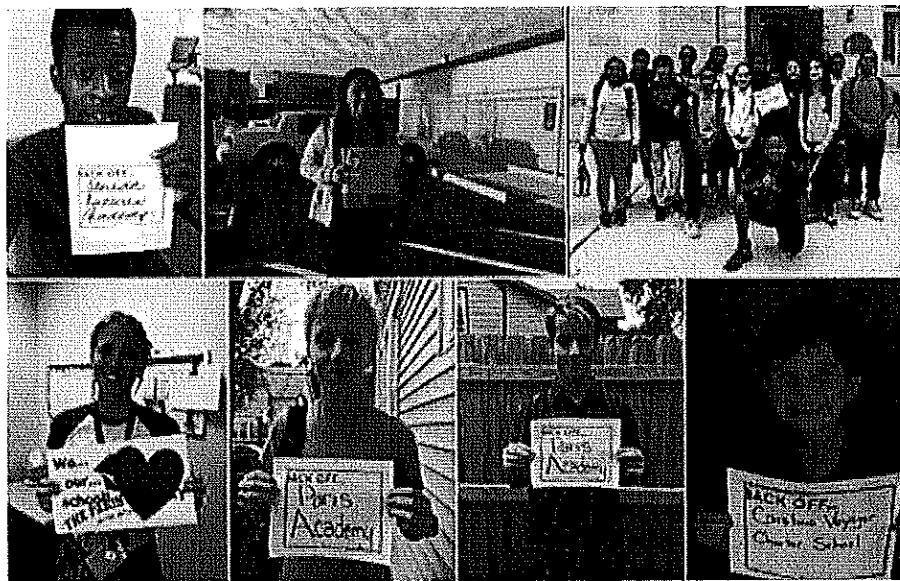
UNION MONEY IN MA. The NEA just approved \$3M more to fight education opportunity in The Bay State, bringing their contribution to \$4.9M. And that's not including the local MA Teachers Association spend of \$9M, along with the in-kind donations of teacher canvassing across the state to convince people that charters are bad for public schools. The reality is charters actually increase support for public schools – and increase funding for schools kids leave, giving districts plenty of resources to fix what ails them. Perhaps unions are getting nervous that news outlets big and small are exposing their false talking points on charter schools. CER CEO Jeanne Allen sheds light on reality of school funding in a local MA paper here.



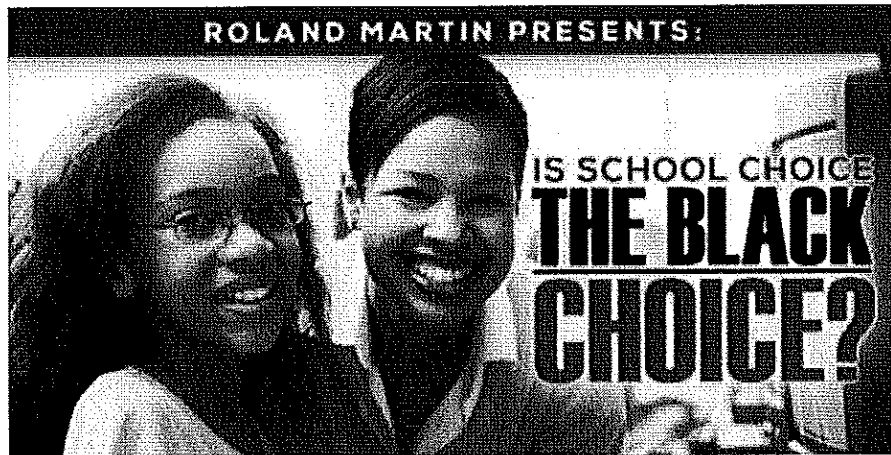
#SPNAM2016. Three cheers for all the great work the State Policy Network is doing surrounding innovation and opportunity! If you're at the annual gathering happening now in Nashville, be sure to find CER CEO Jeanne Allen and VP of Public Affairs Amy McGrath to chat about important topics surrounding education innovation and opportunity – like this great panel yesterday about how funding school choice increases support for all choices.



BACK OFF. Hundreds of parents, students, educators, and school leaders stepped up to the plate to show why their charter school works better for them than the status quo. The winner of the *"Hey John Oliver, Back Off My Charter School!" Video Contest* is scheduled to be announced by the end of the month. Keep the momentum going by sending your stories, and follow us on [Twitter](#) and [Facebook](#) for updates!



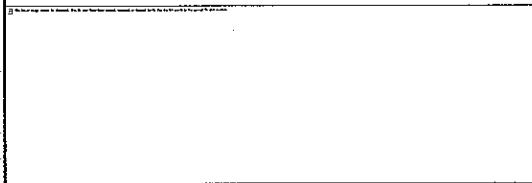
IS SCHOOL CHOICE THE BLACK CHOICE? Don't miss the engaging *News One Now* host Roland S. Martin at Howard University in DC for a special town hall meeting on October 5 alongside respected educators as they address issues of educating our youth. Doors open at 6pm. Event details and registration [here](#).



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Dear Kirk,

We made an exciting announcement at this morning's Leadership Prayer Breakfast and wanted to be sure you heard the news!

Following the launch of Relā two years ago, two new leaders were added to the team, Shannon Lee and Liz Cooper. As a result, our organization is growing. That growth has taken many forms, from increased engagement to totally new programming.

We are proud of what we've been able to accomplish in the past 28 years, as the Gathering Columbus and Relā; and we have our sights set even higher.

We've set an audacious goal for the years ahead to 10x our impact, creating Better Leaders who in turn will create a Better World.

To truly have world-changing impact, we need to continue to evolve.

As part of that continued evolution, Harvey decided to make a change, one that excites all of us about the future and motivates us to reach higher.

Effective today, Harvey announced a change in his role at Relā to that of Founder & Director of Community Engagement while announcing the promotion of Shannon Lee to Executive Director.

A note from Shannon:

I am humbled to be chosen by Harvey and the Relā Board of Directors and so pleased Harvey is staying on to help us create our future. I hope to adequately fill his shoes and will work hard to further grow his legacy.

My belief is this: workplaces and communities will be healthier, happier and more successful as more people embody the timeless principles evident in Servant Leadership. We wish to lead this effort in Columbus and beyond.

As previously mentioned, we have a bold plan to 10x Relā's impact in 5 years.

So what does 10x impact in 5 years look like?

- Touching 30,000 leaders lives each year
- Generating 10,000 volunteer hours for area nonprofits
- Creating online programming
- Expanding Relā to other cities

To achieve a 10x impact in five years, we will have to quickly triple our current size.

As exciting as this vision of growth and impact is, we want all of you to know - this isn't just the vision of the Relā staff,

this is OUR vision - every single one of you has a part to play in creating a better world. Relā belongs to all of us.

This. Is. Your. Relā. Nothing we do is possible without leaders like you. We hope you join us as we embark on this crazy mission of creating better leaders for a better world.

See you soon!



Shannon M. Lee
Executive Director, Relā



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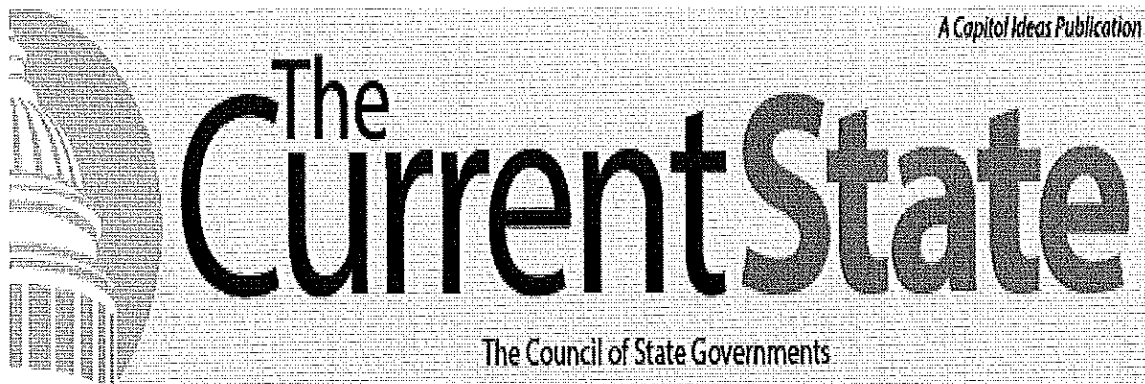
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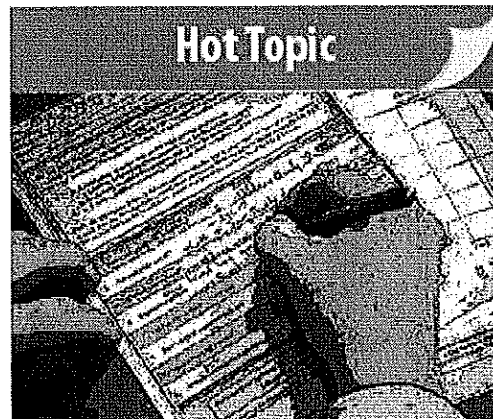
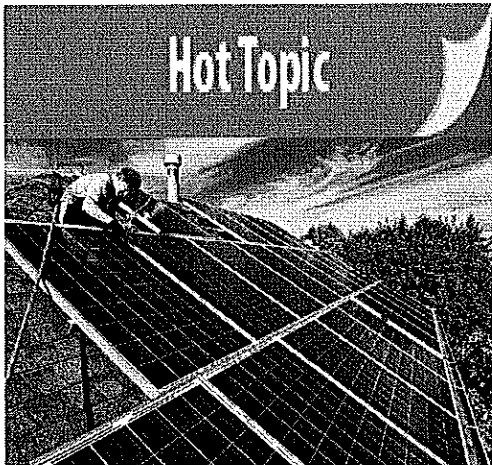
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States Explore Net Metering Reforms for Solar Customers

On Dec. 23, 2015, the Nevada Public Utilities Commission, or PUC, set new rules for net metering, placing Nevada at ground zero of the nationwide debate regarding the appropriate pricing scheme for rooftop solar. While the state had previously allowed rooftop solar customers who sold power back to the electric grid to be compensated at the retail rate of electricity, the new PUC decision pays net metering customers a lower rate for power they produce and requires a higher fixed charge.

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Risk and Needs Assessment & Race in the Criminal Justice System

In today's world, it is impossible to talk about the justice system without talking about race. In fact, with several high-profile incidents involving violent contact between law enforcement officers and minority residents, so much of today's conversation about justice policy and practice seems to focus specifically on race. CSG Justice Center staff explore racial disparity--and how to prevent racial bias--in the context of criminal risk and needs assessment.

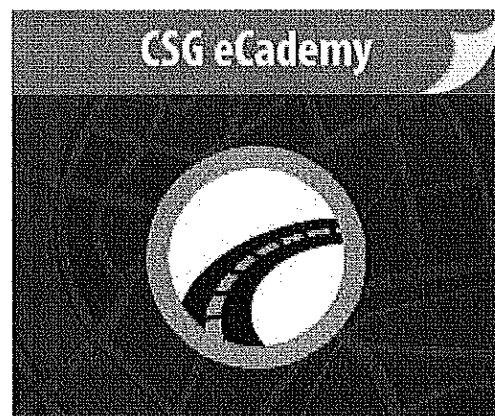
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The Child Care Dilemma: An Overview

Affordable, high-quality and accessible child care is a challenge for many American families. CSG examines the balancing act familiar to many families in the United States--managing work and child care--and how states are working in conjunction with the federal government to improve the process for all families with young children.

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Rideshare Companies & Insurance: 2016 Developments & What's Ahead for 2017

It has been a busy year on a number of fronts for rideshare companies such as Uber and Lyft. On Oct. 18, CSG and The Griffith Insurance Education Foundation will host the latest in a series of nonpartisan, non-advocative webinars looking at the insurance and regulatory issues impacting the rideshare industry. Tune in for a review of developments this year and a look ahead to the rideshare issues that face state policymakers in 2017.

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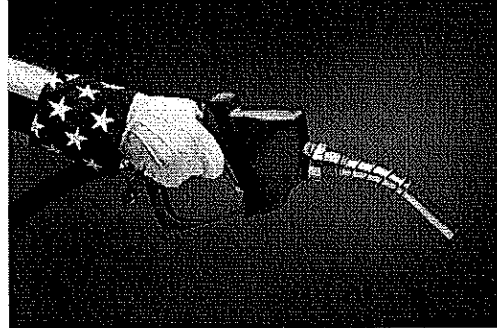


State Tax Revenues Grow for the Fifth Consecutive Year

According to newly released data from the U.S. Census Bureau's 2015 Annual Survey of State Government Tax Collections, state government tax revenue increased 4.8 percent from fiscal year 2014 to fiscal year 2015--growing from \$875 billion to \$916.5 billion. It's the fifth consecutive year states have seen their tax revenue grow.

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Capitol Comments



New Jersey Lawmakers Approve Gas Tax Increase

New Jersey's Democrat-led Legislature approved a 23-cent gas tax increase last week after lawmakers struck a \$16 billion, eight-year deal with Republican Gov. Chris Christie that will also reduce the sales tax and eliminate the estate tax in the state. The deal will allow stalled transportation projects to resume after Christie halted all but the most essential ones in July as the state's transportation trust fund ran out of money and expired.

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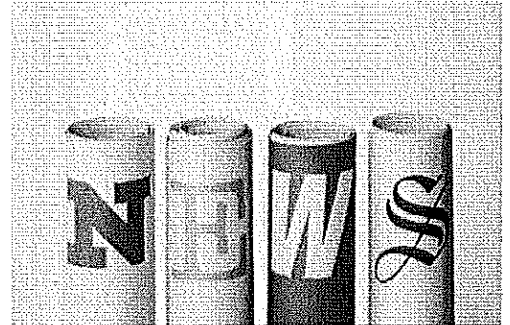
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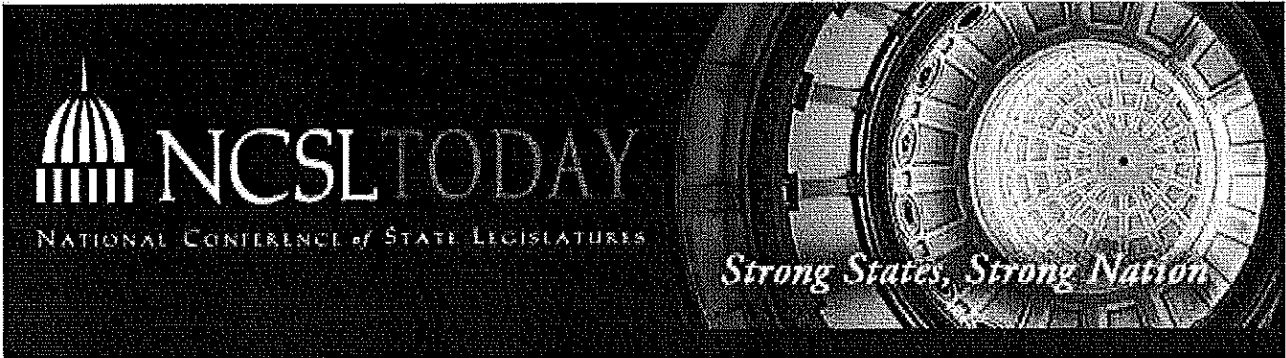
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Last pre-election jobs report shows healthy growth, higher wages

The New York Times

The government, delivering the last major snapshot of the economy before Election Day, reported on Friday that employers added 161,000 workers in October, a performance that suggests a healthy outlook for the months ahead. The official unemployment rate dropped to 4.9 percent. Average hourly earnings rose 2.8 percent year over year, a level not reached since July 2008.

Federal judge criticizes North Carolina voter challenge process

CBS

North Carolina's process for challenging voters' registration seems to harken to a bygone era when fewer safeguards were in place, a federal judge said Wednesday as she



presided over a lawsuit that alleges voters are being purged unfairly.

California cities ban pot sales ahead of state vote

Associated Press

Dozens of cities and counties from tiny Blue Lake in the heart of Northern California's pot-growing mecca to National City near the Mexico border have either imposed or are contemplating tough restrictions on recreational marijuana sales and cultivation.

NCSL's marijuana overview.

How some states make effective birth control more available

Stateline

To reduce unwanted pregnancies, more states are making it easier for women on Medicaid to get more effective and longer-lasting birth control at the most opportune time — right after delivery.

How states moved toward stricter voter ID laws

The New York Times

Thirty-two states — a figure that has been steadily rising — now have some form of voter ID laws, based on a count by the National Conference of State Legislatures. The number of states with the strictest laws is rising as well: Voters in seven states will be required to show photo identification in order to cast their ballots this year. **NCSL's Wendy Underhill quoted.**

NCSL resources on voter ID laws, resources.

Health insurance exchanges open enrollment begins

The first days of November mark more than the elections. Health marketplaces or exchanges open in all 50 states and D.C. for sales of health insurance, as authorized by the Affordable Care Act.



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